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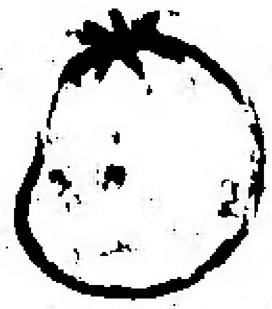

Waiting to celebrate her first birthday is The New Canadian's Baby Contest winner for 1969, Cynthia Louise Shoko Yamaoka. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Yamaoka of Rutland, B.C. Cynthia came into this world last January 1st. Who'll be the winner in 1970?

Who'll be the first bundle of joy of Japanese-Canadian [illegible] to enter this world of ours in 1970? For the [illegible] year The New Canadian will honour the first baby of the New Year.

Readers are asked to notify us of any early births in the new year as soon as possible so that we might [illegible] by January 10th, 1970. Parents, grandparents, [illegible] sisters, brothers, or other members of the family are welcome to submit entries. We ask that all entries be made on the [illegible] form. Please include full information. PLEASE PRINT!

Only rules governing this contest are that one or both of the parents be of Japanese ancestry, and that the birth take place in Canada.

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Baby's Full Name ....

Parent's Name ....

Address ....

City, Town, or Village ....

Province ....

Hospital .... Sex ....

Time in hours and minutes ....

Doctor or nurse's signature of verification ....

The New Canadian has [illegible] the New Year [illegible] years. A record of past [illegible]:

1951: Robert K. Nakamura, Lethbridge, Alta.	Jan. 1	12:57 a.m.
1952: Brenda J. Sakata, Swift Current, Sask.	Jan. 1	1:05 a.m.
1953: Kenneth Sakaguchi, Toronto, Ont.	Jan. 2	2:30 a.m.
1954: Arthur Akira Ohno, Lethbridge, Alta.	Jan. 1	3:20 a.m.
1955: Joan Ellen Nunoda, London, Ont.	Jan. 1	3:37 a.m.
1956: Michael Nash, Etobicoke, Ont.	Jan. 1	6:05 p.m.
1957: Brian Minoru Wakita, Kitimat, B.C.	Jan. 2	7:55 a.m.
1958: Dianne Akemi Nagai, Toronto, Ont.	Jan. 1	6:57 a.m.
1959: Edward D. Suzuki, Winnipeg, Man.	Jan. 1	3:35 p.m.
Stephen Kozai, Toronto, Ont.	Jan. 1	1:06 p.m.
1960: Lloyd Tanaka, Toronto, Ont.	Jan. 1	10:37 p.m.
1961: Frank Koichi Ui, Vancouver, B.C.	Jan. 3	12:10 p.m.
1962: Lorraine Sakae Yamamoto, Van., B.C.	Jan. 2	10:58 a.m.
1963: D. J. Masato Uyenaka, Downsview, Ont.	Jan. 1	3:45 a.m.
1964: Brenda Lee Ann Inouye, Toronto, Ont.	Jan. 1	10:13 p.m.
1965: Ken Donald Nimi, North Vancouver, B.C.	Jan. 1	1:45 a.m.
1966: Barbara J. Nakagawa, Dawson Creek, B.C.	Jan. 1	7:20 a.m.
1967: Randy Charles Okubo, Chatham, Ont.	Jan. 9	8:47 a.m.
1968: Christine Haruko Anzai, Agincourt, Ont.	Jan. 1	2:53 p.m.
1969: Cynthia L. Shoko Yamaoka, Rutland, B.C.	Jan. 1	8:55 a.m.

The New Canadian [illegible] their parents.

Holiday Greetings From The Staff Of

THE NEW CANADIAN

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Message From The Prime Minister

"A free press can of course be good or bad, but most certainly, without freedom it will never be anything but bad . . . Freedom is nothing else but a chance to be better, whereas enslavement is a certainty of the worse."

Albert Camus

The strength of our press lies in its dedication to this idea of freedom.

On the occasion of The New Canadian's thirtieth anniversary, I am pleased to convey to its readers and staff my greetings and best wishes.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Ottawa, 1969

Message From Japanese Ambassador

By SHINICHI KONDO,
Ambassador to Canada

[illegible]

[illegible] Expo '67 [illegible] Expo '70 [illegible] Japan [illegible] Quebec [illegible]

[illegible] Canadians [illegible] Japan [illegible] changes that [illegible]

[illegible] Canada [illegible] I have a [illegible] give my [illegible] Japan-Canada friendship. I would like to take this opportunity to beg your [illegible] and cooperation.

Autumn Is For Dying . . .

The Woodcutter

By KEN NOMA

It was autumn and the [illegible] of leaves were dying.

A wisp of [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] awakened [illegible] sky. Careful [illegible] the [illegible] of a contented [illegible], it [illegible] high into the sky, [illegible] and [illegible] as the [illegible]. The [illegible] belched more of the [illegible] smoke as additional fuel [illegible] to the fire within, covering the once blue sky with a dark coat of grey.

The cottage, from which the [illegible] smoke had been [illegible], was worn by time. The roof [illegible] from many onslaughts of rain and snow, but it had served well for more than fifty years. Constructed of sturdy oak [illegible] from the nearby forest, it boasted a shabby coat of red paint which stood out from among the thorns.

The door of the house groaned in irritation as the inhabitant opened it from within. He stood silently in the darkness of the house, as though debating whether to step forward or to remain in the darkness. Having made up his mind, he slowly pushed the door to its widest extent and stepped outside. His head was covered with a snowy white mass of hair which was carelessly combed. His clothing was well worn and patched heavily by the unsure hands of the woodcutter. The cold wind blew at the face of a man well sculptured by age; by the land which he lived upon. The wind silently nudged his small but sturdy frame as he stood outside.

The knowing eyes scanned the view before him. The air was heavy with the smell of decaying vegetation. The woodcutter knew well the signs of a coming winter and the old man's heart was heavy with sorrow. The sight of coloured leaves paving the hills and valleys with the colours of the murdering winter days—days heaven heralded the path for [illegible] darkness when the country would be subjected to a white coat of snow which brought with [illegible] new [illegible] of [illegible] hope [illegible] [illegible] him.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] promptly [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. A bundle of [illegible] had been [illegible] [illegible] the table lay [illegible] [illegible] bowl of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was his morning and afternoon meal. As he [illegible] on the [illegible], he watched the steam [illegible] from the mouth of the [illegible] kettle [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the window. [illegible] his eyes [illegible] [illegible].

The old man had dreamed [illegible] night of memories [illegible] covered with the dust of time, and the sudden reappearance of events from the past had [illegible] him greatly. He had dreamed of his youth, when life had been a [illegible] of pleasure and the world a passionate youth who had once [illegible] [illegible] taken the road of [illegible] only to find his way obstructed and his juvenile hopes and dreams, imagined so very hard, shattered. The old man saw the once lean, tall frame of a man turn and twist with the years until that proud frame became a shrivelled mass of skin. He had cried silently that night. Then in the distance he heard the laughter of a young child at play. The face of a mother long dead reappeared to him in his dreams, calling him by name.

All these had taken place that night in the woodcutter's dream and they troubled him greatly.

The hot tea warmed the old man and helped to ease him for his trip to the village. Every week the old woodcutter carried a large bundle of wood, which he had collected from the forests around the area, and took it to the village to sell. He had been the village woodcutter for many years and his advent was looked [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] heavy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] quickly [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Something [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] suddenly [illegible] [illegible] down at the ground [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] leaves, a black [illegible] lay on the ground. The woodcutter [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] object and carefully picked it up. It was dead.

The [illegible] had [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] it had fallen. It had bled profusely and its black feathers were sticky with warm, red blood.

A strong gust of wind propelled the woodcutter's small frame as he deftly made his way over the [illegible] mountain trail. His back ached with pain as the [illegible] wood bit into his skin and he now felt the weight of the extra load on him, but the village was a short distance away now and the [illegible] of it made him [illegible]. The trail he was travelling was small and very few people traversed it. He was always extra careful with this area since, just a few inches away, the trail [illegible] abruptly into the mouth of a deep and sinister gorge. But the woodcutter's thoughts were on other things [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the narrow trail. His thoughts constantly flashed back to the dream [illegible] he tried to decipher the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. What disturbed him greatly was that the image of the dead [illegible] constantly [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible]. As he gazed skyward [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible] sky. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] leaves and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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From Vancouver . . .

Two Poems By Tateishi

THE ROSES

By JEAN TATEISHI

The Roses are blooming so sweetly and so fair,
When the skies are blue and summers in the air.
Its delicate pink petals formed so perfectly,
I [illegible] so [illegible] when I stand here to praise its beauty.

It grows in splendor and wreathed in sunshine,
The [illegible] fence is now a picture with climbing [illegible],
In the [illegible] of a rose natures artistry has been [illegible],
[illegible] the sun [illegible] with a pathos rare.

The perfume on the air blowing with the gentle [illegible],
In flaming red or soft pink it makes lovely melodies,
Look upon a rose spreading splendor across the [illegible],
It's a rich reward of nature for mans care and toil.

Its color and light shines forth with its regal pose,
My hour is filled with the joy in admiring the breathless
beauty of a [illegible]
In my memory it will be etched to recall on a winter day,
When nature offered her treasure of sunshine and pink [illegible]

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SUMMER DAYS

By JEAN TATEISHI

The care free call of summer is in the air,
And we enjoy the days so bright and fair.
Theres a joy I cannot quell when I see around,
The evidences of all natures sights and sound.

The fields are abloom in all its glory,
Spread with daisies and the charm of a 1000 poppies.
Its my hearts delight when I see along the way,
The velvet faces pansies so appealingly sweet on [illegible]

Theres designs in every hue seen wherever you go,
With a clear sky of blue above reflecting on the earth
The golden glory of the sun from morn to evening [illegible]
With all your pleasant ways and whims all earth honors [illegible]

From the fields and from the hills and from every [illegible]
Summer sends out her greeting, come and walk with [illegible]
Its a time to relax on the most carefree days of all,
[illegible] too soon the summers days pass leaving fond [illegible]

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From The Days Of The Evacuation . . .

Memoirs Of Difficult Times

By GRACE MACINNIS, M.P.

[illegible] we move into a new [illegible] we look of what [illegible] has [illegible] for what is to come, [illegible] the thirtieth anniversary of "The New Canadian", I [illegible] warm wishes for its [illegible] confident that its achievements in the past will ensure its [illegible] success.

[illegible] proud history. Began during World War II, it was at [illegible] because it set itself the double task of serving the Japanese Canadian community and of knitting up closer relationships between that community and the larger Canadian community. I remember its editor, Mr. T. Umezuki, as one who has always worked with many others to build the bridge of understanding over the canyon of prejudice which was so deep in British Columbia.

The anti-Oriental prejudice culminated in the intolerable denial of the vote to persons of Japanese, Chinese and East Indian origin. A great many of us of other origins battled against this injustice for years.

In 1936 Angus MacInnis, then M.P. for Vancouver East was instrumental in having a four-member delegation appear before the Franchise Committee in Ottawa to press for the vote. Its leader was Dr. S. Hayakawa, now president of a great California university. The others were Hide Hyodo (now the widow of Rev. Shigeru [illegible] of Toronto), Dr. Edward Banno, a dentist, Mr. Minoru Kobayashi, [illegible] agent.

I will remember [illegible] of eastern M.P.s [illegible] delegation [illegible] British Columbia M.P.s [illegible] attitude [illegible] to expect [illegible] pigtails and baskets [illegible]

[illegible]

About The Author

By GRACE MacINNES, M.P.

Mrs. Grace MacInnis, NDP member of Parliament for Vancouver Kingsway has long been identified with the cause of social justice for all citizens.

She is the daughter of J. S. Woodsworth, founder of the C.C.F. and widow of the late Angus MacInnis, former M.P. for Vancouver East, both of whom were active in the fight against discrimination towards Orientals.

At present, she is the only woman M.P. in Parliament.

[illegible] blackout [illegible] of Japanese [illegible] attempt or drove [illegible] complete [illegible] the worst. [illegible] the authorities decreed that every Canadian of Japanese origin must be removed from every bit of ground within 100 miles of the Coast.

The full story of the suffering and endurance of these fellow Canadians has still to be told. But those of us who knew them will never forget their spirit. If any proof were needed of their devotion to Canada it was given by the way in which they co-operated with the authorities in measures which took away their property and their livelihood and banished them from their homes. The then Prime Minister, Mackenzie King, told the House of Commons later that not a single act of sabotage had been committed all through the war by a Japanese Canadian. It is too bad that he could not tell the House that not a single act of injustice had been committed against the Japanese Canadians by the authorities during the period.

These Canadians were at first herded into the buildings at Exhibition Park in Vancouver, some of them occupying stalls vacated

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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祝聖誕 賀新年

「もろもろの人を照らす真の光が来たり、言葉は肉体となり我らの中に宿れり」（ヨハネ一章）

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トロント日系合同教會
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英語牧師 眞次 ケネス
日曜婦人会 英語婦人会
男子会 夫婦会
新生會 教会學校
役員会 青年会
會員一同

Season's Greetings

"I am writing you a new commandment, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining."
(I John 2:8)

St. Andrew's Japanese Anglican Church
at ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR.
CHURCH MEMBERS AND IT'S GROUPS
REV. P. KEN IMAI, B.A., B.D., S.T.B., M. TH.
Howland and Barton Avenue, Toronto

祝主聖誕
謹賀新年

「我が汝らに書き贈るところは、新らしき誡命にして、主にも、汝らにも真なり。その故は、暗の光すでに照りて、暗きは過ぎ去ればなり」（ヨハネ第一書二ノ八）

トロント市ハウランド及びバートン街角
聖アンドリュー日系聖公會
司祭 今井 献
信徒一同
教会内各團体

Difficult Times . . .

. . . (Cont. from Page 3)

[illegible] by [illegible]. From [illegible] premises they were taken up into the fastnesses of the Kootenays where half a dozen camps were established in the [illegible] of the mountains. Several were in old ghost towns where rickety hotels remained. Others were built of green lumber where the wind whistled through the walls adding to physical and emotional discomfort.

As a member of the [illegible] I well remember a visit I made at that time to several of these Kootenay camps. Miss Hy[illegible], the same Steveston teacher who had been on the franchise delegation, had been put in charge of setting up schools for the children and was spending her time travelling about over roads which, in winter, were a driver's nightmare. I had not intended to stop over at Slocan City but for some reason my contact did not arrive to take me to the next point. As I waited [illegible] towards [illegible] held out [illegible] Mr. [illegible] invited me to stay with his [illegible] and the children, [illegible] arrived and I had to go. [illegible] warmth of [illegible] stayed with me [illegible] years.

From the camps the Japanese Canadians were relocated. Young lads were sent to work on sugar beet farms in southern Ontario, family groups to sugar beet farms in Alberta and Manitoba. Girls went as domestics to Toronto and Montreal. Little by little the employment possibilities widened in eastern Canada, and in this process the churches and many other community organizations helped enormously. Direction was given by the cooperating committee on which Ontario lawyers, ministers, social [illegible] [illegible] Mr. [illegible] M.P., Rev. [illegible] and Mr. [illegible] to be forgotten.

When the war was over and the [illegible] the Canadian [illegible] Japanese Canadians [illegible] to go back to British Columbia. Some did, but the great majority had managed to [illegible] themselves in the [illegible] of Eastern Canada and the [illegible] atmosphere of its cities. They had attained full stature as Canadians, not only in their own eyes but in the eyes of their fellow-citizens from coast to coast.

To me the full proof of their love for this country and their own tremendous stature as its citizens came during the great Fraser Valley flood of 1948. Their berry farms had been sold by the custodian to other owners who were now flooded out and in great need of help. At the moment of their despair a cheque came to the Fraser Valley Flood Relief from Japanese-Canadians in Eastern Canada for aid to the flood victims. I can never think of this incident without a glow of pride that we have such citizens in Canada.

Again, my best wishes for 1970 and may "The New Canadian" long continue to flourish!

My Spring Garden

By JEAN [illegible]

[illegible] my spring garden [illegible]
Where a wealth of flowers [illegible]
[illegible] the morning sun and refreshed [illegible]
I find [illegible] joy here and make [illegible]

[illegible] of the hyacinth [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible], their presence [illegible]
The golden daffodils rising in profusion [illegible]
Dancing round the hyacinth make my [illegible]

In their fashion the primrose always [illegible]
In my garden they're blooming, a bunch here [illegible]
I see the pansies too in velvet purple and yellow,
With a bit of sun, a bit of rain, nature lends [illegible]

My garden is a treasure and offers much to see,
I find a peaceful hour here when from cares I [illegible]
The flowering beauties nod to the passing breeze,
And the day lengthens into shadow leaving [illegible]

Season's Greetings

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Lethbridge Branch
Sunday School
Youth Group

Picture Butte Branch
Sunday School
Youth Group

謹賀新年

A Daring Project . . .

The Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre Today

By HIDE SHIMIZU

> Mrs. Hide Shimizu, wife of the late Rev. Kosaburo Shimizu, has had a distinguished record of service in the Japanese Canadian community.
>
> She was a member of the first J.C.C.L. Nisei delegation to appeal for the B.C. franchise in Ottawa. In addition, she was the first Nisei woman appointed as teacher in Richmond, B.C.
>
> She handles public relations for the Japanese United Church in Toronto, chairs the Welfare Committee of the United Church Women, and is an executive of the Toronto West Presbyterial.
>
> Mrs. Shimizu is presently serving in her second year as a Board member of the Toronto Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre.

[illegible] the Centre [illegible] Toronto — the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre. [illegible] six years now since [illegible] opening — Oct., 1964 — [illegible] the Honorable Lester B. Pearson, then the Prime Minister of Canada did the honors for us. [illegible] was a proud and happy day for the Japanese and their Canadian friends who joined in the celebrations. We are fortunate indeed to have the support of those Canadians who are interested in [illegible] programs and in "things Japanese". Many Canadians are also participating members of the Centre and volunteering assistance in great measure.

It took years of thinking, planning and laborious preparation to reach the final goal; the completed construction of this building. Interested members worked together weeks and months on end with discussions, consultations, and countless work bees in preparation for the arduous task of the great Finance Drive to finance this gigantic project. It was the intention of these folks to create a centre where the Issei could enjoy their leisure in happy fellowship with programs dear to their hearts. It was also to provide a suitable gathering place for the various social needs of our community. Our people will recall the biggest event we have in Toronto — the annual Bazaar — which has had to travel from place to place — the Canadian Legion Hall on College St. across from Eaton's, St. Paul's Anglican Church on Bloor E., the Ukrainian Hall on Bathurst St. and so on. All the dances of the various organizations have also moved in similar manner from hall to hall all over the city.

[illegible] a tremendous project [illegible] daring as the initial [illegible] for a central location several years previously was estimated at $600,000 — a sum considered far beyond the financial [illegible] of our community! That [illegible] the days before the [illegible] spiral that has emerged [illegible] Fortunately, due to the [illegible]ediness of enterprising [illegible] among our numbers. [illegible]tastic project now standing [illegible] Don Mills, was planned [illegible]ated and dedicated to our Issei pioneers. It is a great achievement indeed for the small number of Japanese folk here — something to be proud about!

It has been a struggle to continue with the operation of this great enterprise. It still is. But for that matter, is it not to be expected for a cultural organization? The programs now offered to the good folk of Toronto and environs are manifold — cultural, social, educational. No centre, Japanese or otherwise can provide the advantages of such diverse interests — something for every member of the family from the youngest to the oldest. It seems that the great majority of the Issei are taking advantage of the movies and social functions which also serve as wonderful reunions for them. Their happy faces certainly vouch for the success of these events. These Issei, our parents, have been remembered for their pioneering in this Canada of ours, by this living monument. The variety of programs offered is ever increasing and broadening in scope. The quality in many instances has also shown improvement [illegible] near professional standards as revealed by the recent recital of Classical Odori. Dedicated members of these groups work hard in their labor [illegible] which the public can enjoy so freely.

Perhaps the hardest working is the WA of the Centre, for upon their shoulders rests the responsibility of catering to the innumerable needs for the various functions at the Centre. This great task was not envisioned in the original planning of the Centre programs, but as time went on, such needs arose with the result that these willing workers have been truly slaving away for the benefit of the Japanese populace. Catering has become an important duty of the group — osushi making for the Bazaar, sometimes for snack and cafeteria meals offered at times of Festivals — Spring, Tanabata, Folk Arts, etc. Simple meals of rice with tempura or chow mein are often the [illegible] for these occasions. The Snack Bar at Centre Bingo Nites provides coffee and sandwiches prepared by the WA members. [illegible] of the biggest catering [illegible] for Issei Day when our elderly parents can enjoy a special [illegible] in their honor. Some [illegible] attending this year's [illegible] enjoyed the attractive and tasty [illegible] lunches. [illegible] catering [illegible] requested for [illegible] — [illegible] Other times there may be requests for Japanese [illegible] as for [illegible] the reception for the Consul General or some wedding party or family celebration. The WA has developed skill in their cooking as well and can guarantee a lovely meal for such occasions. There is a special project under way this year — the compiling of a cook book so that favorite recipes are on call. Japanese or otherwise — your specialty is sure to be a success.

The operation for this great project entails a great deal of organizing as well and this is where every member of the community can lend a hand. For those who prefer to work at home, osushi or sandwich making can be a great assist. Telephone answering at the office on occasion of special functions is another good. Now that there is TTC service on Wynford Dr. on [illegible] days, work bees can be organized freely. Evening work [illegible] will still require shuttle service from Don Mills Rd. as is the need for all functions as Mo[illegible] Nisei Festivals and special events. If some members attending these functions would volunteer [illegible] trips before the opening of the program, many more people could take advantage [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] programs [illegible].

There are numerous [illegible] at the Centre [illegible] primarily [illegible] to location but also the lack of publicity of developments and the workings of our enterprise. Writers are needed for the report of our activities, especially reports of every program put on by the various groups. As it is not possible as yet to have a 'reporter' to round up the 'dope', it falls upon the organizations to take on this responsibility. Criticism can flow freely, but without responsible backing to it, what value is there in it? The members of the Board and the Centre are struggling hard to carry on a task for the whole of the Japanese populace here. Now we have attained a true Centre for Japanese programs. There is much room for improvement, we must admit. There are not nearly as many cultural events as we would like but that is still to be developed (with the assistance when it becomes available.)

Members of the board are involved in so many meetings — consultations galore, discussions and canvassing for personal helpers, committee meetings (with many attendant details) as well as the regular monthly board meetings. Thoughtful members add to this, the little extras needed around the building, too. Surely the board was not elected to take on all these chores that volunteer helpers could. We could certainly do with the organization of more volunteers. There are willing folks waiting to be asked so there is a definite need to make these connections. This writer regrets the inability to offer much time or labor or money for this great enterprise but feels that any little bit, added to that of others can add up eventually to a worthwhile amount. The helping hand of every member of the community can increase the usefulness of the Centre and in this way, serve the citizens in this part of Canada better than ever before.

In the spirit of the late President John F. Kennedy, we could say, "Ask not what the Centre can do for you but rather what you can do for the Centre" — [illegible] community. So let's all get together and make a gr[illegible] push for 1970.

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Teaching The Perceptually Handicapped . . .

Haiku Poetry For Everyone

By Marie Pittard

[illegible]

... write poetry.

However, teaching Haiku to these children was a new experience for me. A similar approach to that employed with children in the classroom was used.

An Introduction to Haiku by H. G. Henderson and Haiku by R. H. Blyth again became my sources of reference. After several nights of immersion in these books, I approached my students with anticipation and enthusiasm.

"Is this really a poem?", Michael asked excitedly after he had written the following three lines of seventeen syllables (5, 7, 5):

Pretty leaves falling — 5
Lying, sleeping on the ground — 7
Soon comes winter snow — 5

For some the verses were written effortlessly; for others the creative endeavour was slower because of their lack of confidence in a new field. But soon they overcame this hesitancy and found writing haiku "fun". Janet was surprised and delighted to learn that rhyming is not always essential in verse making.

In haiku we referred to nature either directly or indirectly as the traditional writers did. Michael's reference to falling leaves indicates quite clearly the season about which he has written. Classical writers made constant use of subtle "season-words."

Unlike English syllables Japanese syllables are really character sounds used for units of duration. Since this use is not comparable in English, I feel it is not really necessary in writing Canadian haiku to adhere strictly to the 5, 7, 5 pattern of syllabication. It is interesting to [illegible]

[illegible] ... The reader [illegible] supply what is not expressed [illegible] ... is produced.

For the adult writer one may find [illegible] that the elements [illegible] lack of physical [illegible] those used [illegible] such simile and metaphor. However underlying the sharp syllables [illegible] short lines are depths of meaning if we take time to uncover them and to meditate upon them. From this contemplation we should be able to develop a richer and more meaningful attitude towards life.

In haiku written by the older student one should look for a comparison of two ideas. This method of internal contrast intensifies the poem and was advocated first by the great Japanese writer and teacher Basho in the seventeenth century. The following haiku by Basho may help illustrate this:

Lightning flickering
Without sound . . . How far away
the night . . . heron cries.

Each part should retain its own individuality and yet contribute to the whole.

In some haiku the comparison may be so hidden that one can only anticipate the author's intention after many readings. Good examples of this technique are found in haiku by Mr. Dag Hammarskjold written before his appointment as Secretary General of the United Nations.

The trees pinch [illegible]
As irresistible [illegible]
The dark page.

The winter twilight greys
Beyond the [illegible]
The angel [illegible] is
brooding.

[illegible] ... H.H. And[illegible] ... although they [illegible]

Many [illegible] feel that rhyme [illegible] poetry [illegible] rhyming haiku in English. However, rather than frustrate the efforts of a young student, all forms, ideas and [illegible] should be encouraged. The emphasis would be placed on the creative endeavour rather than on the rules of tradition.

It is interesting to follow the haiku lesson with accompanying sketches, especially ink or brush [illegible]. This craft originated in China as the art of the zen priests. It was then introduced into Japan where like haiku it flourished as an expression of concentration and reflection.

Here are some examples of haiku written by children in Forest H.B. Toronto:

The new fallen snow
Lay peacefully, covering
The hidden flowers.

Robin struts proudly
With his red vest and black coat
Ruffling his feathers.

She leaps gracefully
Like a bird of Paradise
The ballerina.

A canary sings
Filling the air with music
A glorious sound.

On the high mountain
Snow enveloping its peak
Below, flowers bloom.

A clock strikes the hour,
Time never stopping to pause
Goes on endlessly.

The white gate of life
Standing between us and death
Beyond a question.

Peaceful flying geese
A loud shot rings out
Nasty cruel hunters.

[illegible] through the [illegible] sand
Water, a [illegible] pond
Only a mirage.

The [illegible] by Basho is from the book Haiku by R. H. Blyth. The [illegible] by Dag Hammarskjold [illegible] from the book Markings.

"Strength For The Bridge" Author . . .

Silver Fishes

By JESSIE L. BEATTIE

Alth[illegible] from [illegible] L. Beatt[illegible] For The B[illegible] word [illegible] hospital[illegible] for [illegible]

Miss Beatt[illegible] Blair, Ont[illegible] early years [illegible] 15, she had [illegible] her poetry [illegible] and direct[illegible] 17, she [illegible] She is the [illegible] dozen books [illegible] articles and [illegible] Canadian mag[illegible]

The silver fish swim up my st[illegible]
The silver fish float down.
They lift their heads to look at me
As they pass by our town.

I put away my sandals,
Kimono toss aside,
I wade into the flowing stream
Though it is strong and wide.

Oh, silver fish, come to my hand
And you shall have a pool on la[illegible]
I'll feed you dainties from my table
I'll love you all that I am able.

No hook shall ever pierce you[illegible]
I'll build a house to keep you in
With silken walls and golden dish[illegible]
Especially made for little fishes.

When winter comes to do you h[illegible]
I'll light a [illegible] to keep you warm
I'll sing you lullabies, and you
Can do just what you want to [illegible]

But [illegible] fish [illegible] up my str[illegible]
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[illegible]isei Visits Land Of His Ancestors . . .

Personal Impressions of Japan

By VIC OGURA

About The Author

Vic Ogura has been an able contributor to The New Canadian in previous editions. Here, he gives his personalized and humorous account of a Nisei's first encounter with Japan.

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MONTREAL — I am a Nisei [illegible] Vancouver Island [illegible] the evacuation [illegible] years in Montreal.

[illegible] establish the above [illegible] trip to Japan must [illegible] reflected from the viewpoint [illegible] lifetime was spent [illegible] Canada and although my [illegible] background is Japanese, [illegible] graphically, culturally and [illegible] I am the product of a Western environment.

The last words my friend said [illegible] as I departed were, "I want you to record your reactions as you step onto Japanese soil for the first time," and [illegible] when the plane landed at Haneda airport and I gingerly descended his impassioned reminder jogged my mind.

This was the country of the [illegible] samurai, the jewel of the Pacific blessed by the God Amaterasu, the country that had [illegible] half a world, but most of [illegible] this was the land from where my forefathers had come and to which in a nebulous and [illegible] way I felt an umbilical attachment.

The following I quote from my diary: [illegible] p.m. Japan time, [illegible] degrees (this was Winter) [illegible] outside. Descending [illegible] clouds, increasing excitement as I peer for first glimpse of Japan."

"Felt nothing except the damp [illegible] and a certain sadness. No [illegible] elation, just another [illegible]"

My first few hours in Japan [illegible] disappointment. I had [illegible] given the impression [illegible] was impeccably clean. [illegible] I walked thru the air[illegible] passed customs, my [illegible] impression was partly [illegible] I found the buildings [illegible] surroundings drab, dingy [illegible]

[illegible] encounter I was [illegible] but nonetheless [illegible] observed a male uri[illegible] public. I had to stare [illegible] this moment of [illegible] It was later explained [illegible] above was at [illegible] due to the shortage [illegible] toilets.

[illegible] associate had [illegible] that I stay at the [illegible] hotel to experience [illegible] given by women [illegible] I hoped into a [illegible] filled with visions of [illegible] oriental [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] naked women [illegible] talking and [illegible]

[illegible] me [illegible] that are very [illegible] I was to be confirmed [illegible] often a ride in [illegible] is not only for transport, but is also an adventure.

Japanese hotels are amongst the best in the world, and the New Otani with its blending of the old and the new reflects a subtle compromise. As I entered, the bellboy who looked more like a West Pointer, guided me until I was cordially and efficiently escorted to my room.

The hour was quite late, and being exhausted from the trip, I thought that after a good hot bath, I would call for my massage.

As she entered my room I was [illegible] the personification of [illegible] and as she [illegible] ed my bed to the centre of the room, I casually appraised this lady of about [illegible] years [illegible] [illegible]

With a [illegible] my feelings of [illegible] first [illegible] [illegible] "[illegible]" [illegible] And [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] thing so intimate [illegible] lying as a dry [illegible] at the New Otani [illegible] the privacy of one's room after a long trans-Pacific flight.

I had been told that [illegible] Japanese homes do not have central heating, and I [illegible] tell you now that [illegible] Japanese homes do not have heating.

I recollect rather [illegible] my one night at a Japanese inn in interior Okayama. Immediately upon my arrival I [illegible] allowed the luxury of an [illegible] Japanese style bath [illegible] must believe me when I say [illegible] bath sunk approximately [illegible] deep [illegible]

I enjoyed the [illegible] [illegible] I was taken [illegible] [illegible] Yokohama where the [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] I was [illegible] Japan [illegible] [illegible] Kyoto [illegible] Japan's traditional [illegible] is preserved. Japan is a country of extremes, for with all its beauties, in proximity you have [illegible] with its [illegible] and [illegible] you have the [illegible] and [illegible]. As an example, it would be hard to surpass the tradition and serenity of the Imperial palace, and yet [illegible] sprawls Tokyo [illegible] with [illegible] steps [illegible] with black blotches which were to be explained to me later as the remains of dried spit. It normally is what most people do [illegible] spitting in Japan is a [illegible] pastime.

To [illegible] I found the girls of Japan short, squat and homely, whereas say the girls of Hong Kong were tall, slender and [illegible]. [illegible] I found the average Japanese [illegible] [illegible] supporting the [illegible] contrary to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] I discovered was that [illegible] Nisei was [illegible] Japanese [illegible]

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Departure From San Francisco

SACHIKO OYAMA

Mrs. Sachiko Oyama, once again a welcome contributor to The New Canadian holiday feature, here gives her perceptive narrative of a departure from San Francisco.

Mrs. Oyama is the wife of former New Canadian editor, Kasey Oyama and presently resides in Montreal, Quebec.

[illegible] man at the desk of Victoria Hotel [illegible] us to each other by simply stating that [illegible] would be travelling on the same ship. She [illegible] Japanese woman in olive coloured [illegible] looked to be in her early thirties.

I was delighted at the prospect of a travel companion and introduced myself exuberantly.

"[illegible] I'm very happy to know you. I am Mrs. Oyama."

The woman was reserved, almost cold, and said [illegible], "I am Mrs. Zaima."

I felt a little embarrassed, and reminded myself that [illegible] was not the proper Japanese way.

I had thought of asking her to go with me to Macy's but dropped the idea and started out alone to walk the seven or eight blocks to the departmental store.

Macy's of San Francisco was not too different from the departmental stores of Montreal. I browsed around for a while, bought a cosmetic bag, and stopped at the cafeteria for a hot dog and coffee.

Then I hurried back to the hotel so that I would not be late for the ship. Boarding time had been [illegible] as between one and two p.m.

In the hotel lobby, Mrs. Zaima approached me in a very friendly way.

"I am so happy to know someone boarding the same ship," she said. I was slightly confused because her attitude now was so different from that of only a short time ago. I speculated that in the proper Japanese way there was a time to be reserved and a time to be gracious.

The hotel had arranged for a taxi to take the passengers to the ship. They included besides Mrs. Zaima and myself, a very old Japanese man whose hair was completely white. He was all dressed up in a brown suit and tie but he was obviously unaware that his [illegible] was badly stained.

The taxi ride to the docks took twenty minutes. I took a deep breath of the ocean air and felt wonderfully refreshed.

I [illegible] up at the ship which was to be my home for the next seventeen days. It seemed rather small [illegible] on a long voyage across the Pacific. But [illegible] confident, its hull immaculate in a fresh [illegible] pastel blue paint which contrasted pleasantly [illegible] white superstructures and one fat red funnel [illegible] amidship. Near the front end of the [illegible] neat white letters spelled out the name "Ar[illegible] Maru."

[illegible] of the rising sun flags at both ends of [illegible] my heart with warmth and reassurance. [illegible] water spurting out from the ship just [illegible] gave me an impression that the ship [illegible] breathing thing.

[illegible] stewards in white jacket and black [illegible] to help us with our baggage. We crossed [illegible], leaving behind us the firm earth [illegible] narrow strip of dark green water.

[illegible] up our room keys at the ship's office [illegible] followed one steward up [illegible] while I followed the other steward [illegible] stairs to the cabin class quarters.

[illegible] the steward through the dining room and [illegible] narrow passageways. We passed the Japanese [illegible], the washrooms and after many turns [illegible] before room 417. There was a faint boat smell [illegible] here.

I was disappointed with my room because there were [illegible] I had not thought of this aspect when [illegible] the accommodation. The room was full of [illegible] of my still unknown travel companions.

[illegible] women came into the room and introduced themselves to me in Japanese. The friendly looking elderly woman in a grey knitted suit was Mrs. Ito and the younger woman with short cropped hair and wearing a light blue suit was her daughter who had come to see her mother off.

"Please look after my mother," said the younger woman bowing again.

I bowed back, murmuring "doka yoroshiku."

The warning gong sounded irritably.

We moved up to the deck where we said goodbye to Mrs. Ito's daughter. Mrs. Zaima came to join us as we were watching the small crowd gathered on the docks.

I told Mrs. Zaima that no one was seeing me off, and I would be spared the heartache of parting. Mrs. Zaima said she too was alone since her husband was preparing to leave a short time later by air to meet her in Japan.

I helped Mrs. Ito [illegible] tapes. I [illegible] Mrs. Ito's daughter on the docks beside [illegible] occidental [illegible] was a little surprised. Her [illegible] that I had not expected her husband [illegible] occidental.

The ship started [illegible]. There was [illegible] people on the deck. A [illegible] Japanese [illegible] was having a hard time with two small children, a boy about five and a girl about [illegible] years older. The children were crying and complaining in childish Japanese.

"Why isn't daddy right here with us? I want him right here!"

The woman was trying hard to console the children.

The little girl switched to English and said,

"Will we see daddy again?"

The mother told the children in heavily accented English to hold the railing and wave goodbye to daddy. Yes, daddy will meet them again soon.

My curiosity was aroused. I followed the tapes being held by this family group to the shore. To my surprise, the other end of the tapes was held by a tall occidental man wearing a dark green windbreaker. His face was full of concern for his departing family.

The man in the windbreaker began to wave and walked along the wharf to keep up with the ship.

As the ship pulled farther away, the man finally stopped walking. The last tapes broke and fell into the sea.

The woman on ship began to cry harder. The two children were now quiet, staring at their daddy like two tiny animals being torn away from their protector.

The tiny woman suddenly raised herself on her toes, and her final farewell was a high-pitched, heavily accented scream.

"Bee keyah-foh han-ney!"

Tears rolled down my cheeks and I searched in my purse for kleenex.

I turned to Mrs. Zaima beside me and noticed that she was crying too. She said she was reminded of her children, a boy of seven and a girl of ten, who she had left behind in Japan three years ago.

Mrs. Ito was surprised to see us wiping our eyes. I said to Mrs. Ito that the heartache and parting must be a part of my destiny, even when the parting is that of a total stranger.

• • •

The following afternoon Mrs. Ito came into the room, steadying herself against the ship's motion.

"[illegible] again," she said. "[illegible] head [illegible]"

I looked up from the [illegible] I was reading. Mrs. Ito's cheeks were red and her eyes were sparkling with excitement.

"Remember that [illegible] children?"

"The [illegible] on the deck when we left San Francisco?"

"Yes [illegible]"

"[illegible]" I [illegible] the best to [illegible].

Mrs. Ito [illegible]

"We [illegible] with her and [illegible] a great deal about her. She [illegible] one of the Japanese war brides. You [illegible] her husband [illegible] seeing her off? Well, he has been drafted again [illegible] Vietnam [illegible]."

"Oh," I [illegible] up.

"[illegible] Vietnam [illegible] with [illegible] go back to Japan [illegible] with her [illegible] baby."

"That's unfortunate, isn't it," I said.

Mrs. Ito nodded.

Just then [illegible] high-pitched [illegible] raised hysterically in anger. Th[illegible] came from the next cabin which was separated [illegible] a common wall. I pictured two small [illegible] a boy and a girl [illegible] little [illegible] from their mother's anger.

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A Holiday Message "Peace On Earth"

By The Rev. HIRAM H. KANO

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"[illegible] over the radio that the Denver Public School teachers [illegible] better wages [illegible] unsettled, and that tens of thousands of children have to stay out of school. This [illegible] incident [illegible] embarrassing the public; the people are disgusted and even resentful.

"Look at the college students' destructive violence in Japan, just terrible! But sorry to say, this sort of situation prevails all over the world, not only in Japan and America.

In spite of this fact, every one is longing for "peace". In Church the members greet each other saying "peace of the Lord be always [illegible] political [illegible] peace [illegible] the popular [illegible] Even Hippies are saying "peace, peace" all the time. But there is no peace in many homes, communities and countries. Wars, race riots and demonstrations are going on. We are living in a sick world! What is wrong? What mistake are we making? We are all in the same boat.

On the first Christmas morning the angel of the Lord appeared to the shepherds and said, "I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people". And the angel praising God and singing "PEACE ON EARTH, good will toward men." (Luke 2:14)

This important message from the Lord can be interpreted by the Verse Eccles. 12:13 "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His Commandments: for this is the whole duty of man". Are we not neglecting this duty? If so, we can't expect true peace within and without.

One of His most important commandments is written in the Lord's prayer, "Forgive us our

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debts as we have forgiven those who are in debt to us." Yes, if you forgive their failings, your heavenly Father will forgive you [illegible]. This is a secret to bring [illegible] peace among men.

Today we are living in the [illegible] with amazingly advanced science and technology. We [illegible] to be fooled that Science can solve any problem we may confront hereafter, and [illegible] forget that God is the Creator of the both visible and invisible worlds.

God is the source of true peace and happiness we enjoy as well as our knowledge. We must understand that we cannot become God; we are His creatures. We are His precious children. We belong to Him. "We live in Him, and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

We must know, God created two worlds — natural (physical) and spiritual worlds. And He laid down two kinds of laws — natural and spiritual. We are under these two laws, and we can't escape from them. If we carefully obey these laws, our life will be pleasant and successful. Otherwise failure and even death will result. Space ships Apollo 11 and 12 could reach the moon, because American scientists obeyed the laws of physics and chemistry, applied them correctly to their dangerous maneuvers. Likewise if we desire to go to God's presence (peace), we have to obey His spiritual laws. It may be a hard battle, but we must fight a good fight of faith. So Christ said, "Up to this present time, the kingdom of heaven has been subjected to violence and the violent are taking it by storm."

The kingdom of God (peace) is our common goal. Unless we make an utmost effort to reach it, there can be no peace nor true joy. Real peace means we walk with God, not possessing abundant worldly or material things. Let us examine ourselves whether we are with God or not.

Socrates said "know thyself". We have to know that God gave us two bodies, a physical and a spiritual. The Bible says, "visible thing is temporal, and invisible thing is eternal." So our true-ego is a spirit, and our flesh is just it's garment. They are just like an iceberg. The unseen portion under water is much bigger than the top part. Our spirit is invisible but greater and more powerful than physical body. For instance, if you worry about something, you lose your appetite. Unless you have peace of mind, you can't live long.

Christ said, "As thou hast believed, so be it unto thee." This means that any thing you think in your mind, takes form, and becomes phenomenon. In other words, your environment is the shadow or reflection of your mind. Therefore we are responsible for outside visible situations. If we are not satisfied with a certain situation, we must change ourselves first then, naturally the outside situation will change. [illegible] spiritual law. Our spiritual power is truly great and [illegible]. The Bible says, "If you have faith, you can even move the mountain by prayer."

So in short, the solution of the many difficult problems in this restless world depends entirely [illegible], not any body else.

"Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." If we follow this law faithfully and earnestly, we will never fail to achieve "Peace on the Earth."

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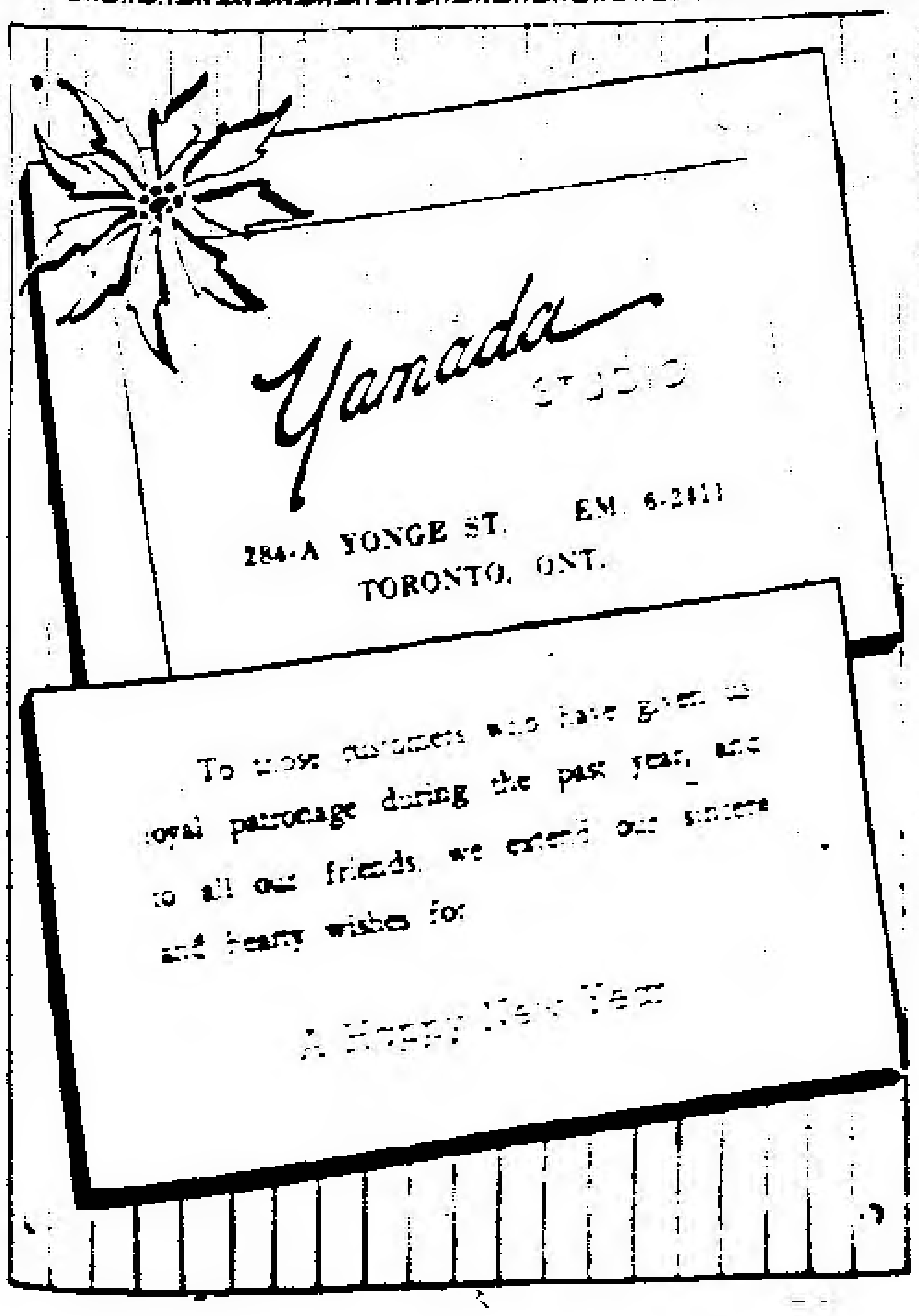

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she wanted to be near her mother and sisters if the worst happened and she hadn't seen them for over 18 years and her mother was in her nineties. My mother was the youngest of a very large family and she arrived after her mother was late into her forties. My sister had surgery performed in a University hospital in Japan and the case was written up in a medical journal. She was hospitalized over a year. Mother couldn't stay any longer than six months and returned on what was actually the last boat from Japan, and my sister was stranded in Japan all during the war. Soon after mother got back to B.C. evacuation took place and we lost the farm.

She worked sewing in the garment industry by the piece work in Montreal. She gave my brother about all the money she got for the farm when he left for college in the USA and she gave me a couple of hundred dollars since I had a promise of financial help when I arrived. Within 7 years my brother had his PhD and I got mine 4 years later but I went to work in between. My sister returned while I was in college, and so the family was re-united. About 5 years ago mother visited Japan for the second time after the evacuation. It was a good visit since my brother and his family were spending a year in Japan on leave at Univ. of Tokyo doing research. My sister was able to visit after her return from Japan after the war. My mother's two sisters were well and she had a wonderful time visiting friends and relatives.

Now that she is getting older, the cold weather of Toronto may be too much for her. My two sisters are now living in Los Angeles and so she will probably go there to live. Los Angeles has so many things available just as if she were living in Japan. Besides, of all the grandchildren, my sister's son is the only one who speaks Japanese. All those years in Japan seem to be paying off for my sister. Then too since my sister's husband works for an airline he can get passes so that mother can fly out to visit her other children at any time.

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The Little Girl & The Doll . . .

Matilda, The Unhappy Doll

By Jean Tateishi

It was evening and the town [illegible] quiet darkness. Down the street the houses stood in a row, some with lights on and others wrapped in the hush of a December night. There was one big well to do looking house that hadn't settled for the night yet. In its front windows were still lit and Christmas lights were [illegible] in a merry row in the spirit of the season. Here lived a little girl who was about five years. A happy child, usually full of mischief who had everything in the way of toys. All her dolls sat in a row on the shelf in her play room. There were brunette ones, blonde ones and a dark skinned doll with a head of fuzzy hair. But there was one doll there at the very end of the shelf that sat there with a broken arm and bent over which seemed to be apart from the rest of the dolls. This doll was quite sad and she thought "I wish I was beautiful as the others so she will play with me," but alas she was left on the shelf and the little girl never paid much attention to her. "I was beautiful once and I was a favorite of hers, then unthinkingly she was a bit rough with me one day and I was left in a miserable state and now here I am just left to gather dust. The days passed quickly and Christmas was fast approaching. Then one day something happened. The doll Matilda was sitting there in the same spot as usual unblinkingly looking across the room when the little girl came into the room with her mother. Her mother scolded her a bit and told her to put all her many toys away and keep the room a bit tidier. She put her dolls where they belonged, all on her doll shelf. Then her mummy said to her, you have far too many toys so maybe we can give some away to some other girl or boy who might enjoy having a toy this Christmas. So her mother thought awhile, then she came and took Matilda off the shelf. Well this made Matilda happy but she thought who'll play with me when I'm not beautiful like the others! Anyway the situation would soon be fixed. The little girl's mummy gave Matilda to a place where they fix all broken toys brought to them, and then they gave them to people in need of them. Well, Matilda went for a ride and here she was in a car that was taking her away to who knows where. She wasn't alone though, there was all manner of toys about her, cars, other dolls and even an electric motorbike that was look- [illegible]

Well [illegible] doll [illegible] spectacle [illegible] They brought Matilda [illegible] how he would see her fixed up too and she'd be [illegible] some girl's Christmas stocking on Christmas day. Well, Matilda had a new [illegible] and all fixed up soon. The kindly old man seemed to take extra care with her and she looked like a walking doll from her golden curls to her two little feet encased in white doll's shoes. Any little girl would love her now and so Matilda would make some little girl [illegible] repeated throughout [illegible] all looking for [illegible] Christmas [illegible] part of town to another [illegible] daddy and in need [illegible] another little girl. She was wondering about Santa Claus. Well, Santa Claus took care of her for with her Matilda found a new home. No longer was she the unhappy doll. So the snow kept on falling softly creating a winter picture of white grandeur and inside a shabby house it was Christmas. . . A little girl and a doll had been brought together to make Christmas a happy day in her life.

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To My Beloved George And Kinzie

A portrait of Mrs. Kane Tanaka, painted by her grandson, Michael, in 1953.

PROLOGUE

Mrs. Kane Tanaka passed away last March in her eighty-ninth year after having lived in Canada some sixty years of her life. One of her proudest days was when she received her Canadian citizenship in 1948. In her youth, in Japan, she was a school teacher. In Canada she lived the life of an Issei pioneer, striking roots in Canadian soil in Vancouver, British Columbia, and there to raise her two sons alone following the death of her husband, Torasaburo Tanaka, in 1921.

Canada became her new land and country, and all of her thoughts and energies were directed into this new outlook and she became one of Canada's citizens.

The English language was a difficult language for her to master. But she became a faithful student of the language all of her life, even to the last few months as her diary and notebooks will attest, with the difficult English words she had at the time encountered in her reading, carefully written down with the explanatory notes recorded in Japanese.

The history of eastern Canada and some of the history of the United States became subjects of her great interest. She was a studious reader and her interests ranged in depth. In many of her particular interests she expressed her remarkable talent in the Japanese written word, as the Isseis across Canada well know, who have read her many articles published in the Japanese section of The New Canadian over the past years.

Mrs. Tanaka wrote a few pieces in English which are here published unedited, in her own English style. Her handwriting in English itself was remarkable in the expression of character and was the result of studied practice years ago.

Her story is a personal vignette of a great happening, following the December 7, 1941 bombing of Pearl Harbour and World War II, when the Canadians of Japanese ancestry living in British Columbia were evacuated from their homes forever — as it turned out to be — and families became parted in the exigencies of a country in wartime not yet grown to a responsible maturity to withstand the pressures of political reactions and public fears. It is an expression of love of family, and of country, and thus a critique.

George Tanaka.

Written By Their Mother On March 28, 1943 In Kaslo, B.C.

[illegible] was in the month of March, [illegible]2. I sat by the window in [illegible] room and I was making [illegible] button holes for his new suit. [illegible] sun was shining that day. [illegible] garden and the streets near [illegible] house had a pleasant atmosphere [illegible] early spring day [illegible] filled with warm sun[illegible]. It was about three o'clock [illegible] afternoon. It was just happening when I cast my eyes out [illegible] street across our garden. Then I saw an automobile [illegible] slowly from Joyce [illegible] passed the front of [illegible].

[illegible] there came into [illegible] a flash this [illegible] as the man I saw [illegible] mobile an RCMP of[illegible] — [illegible] I soon forgot this [illegible] mobile passed away [illegible]. I thought that [illegible] to have thought [illegible].

[illegible] and Japan have [illegible] public opinion [illegible] acute against the [illegible] especially in the prov[illegible]. But these opinions [illegible] only by this [illegible] when the people [illegible] have some [illegible] is racial hatred [illegible] and quite [illegible] unworthy poli[illegible] them.

[illegible] the Canadian govern[illegible] the Japanese to [illegible] the B.C. coast. [illegible] were not allowed [illegible]. This struck into [illegible] of all Japanese. The [illegible] articles and the [illegible] opinions of the public were published in the Vancouver newspapers every day. Although very few, I read very respectable statements in the papers, among them which expressed their thought in the standpoint of justice.

In the case of our family, Kinzie was the first one to leave home. We were expecting an order any day; that is why, I was trying to finish his new suit on that certain day.

In those days, my mind was always occupied about the Japanese evacuation. When I saw a man in the car, I immediately thought was he a RCMP officer and had he brought an order for him to evacuate from the B.C. coast.

The automobile which just passed a few minutes ago in front of my place returned at a very slow speed. Again I felt very uneasy. I laid my hand down on my lap [illegible] which I had been sewing [illegible] I was watching the car very carefully as he came out [illegible] car — at this very moment my mind became filled with the uneasy thought of whether he was an RCMP officer or not. But when I saw him opening the gate of the house just across the street and walking into the garden, I then thought he must be a visitor of that house. I was immediately released from the strain.

But when I saw the man coming out of the garden, instead of going to the front door of the house, I immediately knew that he was not a visitor. He must be searching for a certain house and looking for the number of it, I thought. In another minute later, he reached my gate. I saw that he was going to open it. I knew then he must be the RCMP officer and had a [illegible] for Kinzie. My mind was [illegible] ready to receive him. I was waiting for him to knock at my door. Even though it was very short during the time I waited for him, my heart was heavy, and I even trembled [illegible] know [illegible].

I heard the [illegible] steps [illegible] front porch. Then [illegible] rang. I [illegible] and opened the door [illegible]. I greeted the man [illegible] dressed in civilian clothes. Very quietly and gently he asked, "Is Mr. Kinzie Tanaka in?" I replied, "He is out." He then handed me the long envelope which contained an official letter and then said, "Will you give this to him and ask him to come to the RCMP office tomorrow morning, the time and the place is stated in this." So I said, "Oh, this is the removal business!" He replied, "Too bad," his tone was quiet and his attitude showed his sympathy toward me. Then he got into his car and drove away.

I closed the door and returned to the seat where I had been sitting before, and thought, "[illegible] has happened!" At last it was true. I realized [illegible] for many [illegible] we had been hoping that this would be an uncertainty. Yet we knew the pressure of [illegible] what had been [illegible] newspapers [illegible] avoided.

When I [illegible] departure [illegible] unknown destination [illegible] separate [illegible] tears. But immediately I thought, I mustn't show them such weakness, I should be the one who is calm. I was thinking of how I should tell them, so as not to make them feel very depressed, when they returned from their work. The best way was for me to be calm and to give them encouragement, I thought.

The time was approaching. I knew they were returning by their footsteps, which were always hurried and cheerful. Then the back door opened. Kinzie appeared first, he greeted me with his usual smile. I received him and also smiled. Then I immediately spoke, "The RCMP officer brought a notice for you today. Now you will be busy preparing for your departure." My tone was rather loud and lively, I could be cheerful as I had planned.

He was not as depressed as I had thought, he just carefully asked what the RCMP officer had said. So I told him everything. It seemed to me that his mind had become easier since it had come to be clear at last. Our conversation at the dinner table was different from usual. We discussed everything concerning this, and each of us was going to do our part to help his departure. After I had washed the dishes, I immediately started on the sewing again. I repaired five of his work shirts, and finished them at eleven o'clock.

When he went to the RCMP office [illegible] of March

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194[illegible] he was told by an RCMP officer that he would have to leave Vancouver on March 12th. After he returned home, he telephoned his best friends to let them know that he was leaving. As the departure was now definite and under no circumstance could it be changed, he soon became active. He examined all of his belongings and packed them carefully to take with him. I was also busy. All of his work clothes must be ready in a couple of days.

It was on March 11th in the evening that three of Kinzie's friends, who represented the others, came and brought their gift of $25.00 to Kinzie.

Kinzie left by the evening train from the CNR station on March 12th, for his destination which was Lempriere. At the station were several of his Canadian friends who had come to see him off; these friends were sincere, they had neither thought of nationality nor race, their only thought at this time was a great sympathy toward their unfortunate friend.

George and I stayed at home, instead of going to the station to see him off. We sat under the light in his room. We were waiting the time and watching the clock which was on his desk. When the time turned to seven-thirty, we could hear the heavy sound of the train which was slowly receding into the distance. Our eyes met and we smiled, but with lonely expressions. One of us said, "Kinzie's train! He must be thinking of us too". A few minutes later the sound faded away.

Yes, this was unlimited separation! Our hearts were heavy. Night was falling. We talked quietly till late into the night. March 12th, 1942 was gone forever.

The Storm

One day in the summer of 1942, I was looking at the sky through the window of my room at Kaslo, I saw a big black cloud approaching this way from behind the mountain across the lake. While I was watching the black cloud was spreading in the sky and all around it came darker than before. Then suddenly there started the strong wind blowing. I saw that all branches of the trees nearby were [illegible] hard by the strong gale. [illegible] later, big hail, the size [illegible] as small stones came down [illegible] Lightning and [illegible] It was a [illegible]

Kasle in Winter

[illegible] of Kas[illegible] K[illegible] lake [illegible] the surface of the lake [illegible] M[illegible] Sometimes [illegible] days, a small, long shaped cloud can be seen hanging [illegible] the [illegible]

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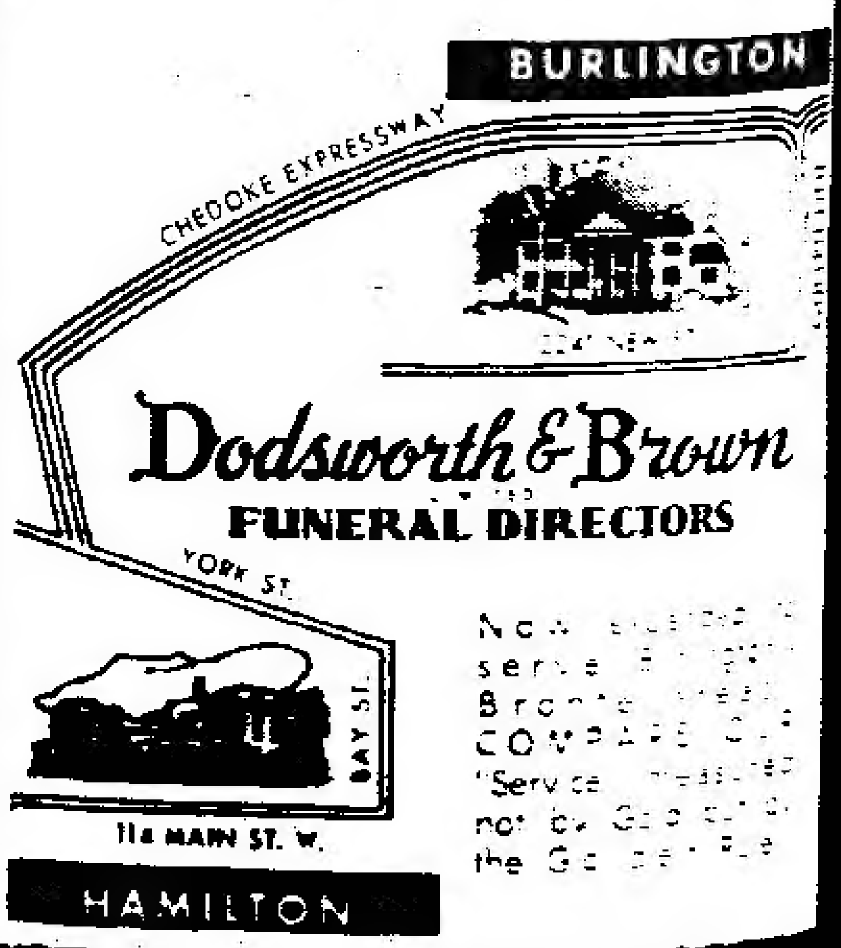

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Broken Families & Juvenile Delinquency . . .

Disorganized Family And Crime

By E. S. YOSHIDA
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[illegible] on the subject [illegible] nearly a universal and [illegible] correlation [illegible] different [illegible] between family disorganization and crime [illegible] review of six [illegible] made after the famous [illegible] McKay Study of Juvenile [illegible] in Cook County [illegible] bears out this observa[illegible].

[illegible] 1930 study by R. S. Cavan [illegible] that the proportion of broken homes increased considerably from the control group of boys (21%) to the predelinquent boys (25%), to the institutional boys (49%) and to the institutionalized girls (71%).

Second, the Spokane Study of [illegible] after a careful comparative study of public school boys, [illegible] 17 years of age, and delinquent boys revealed that the percentage of broken homes was 27 and 41 respectively.

Third, Merrill's Matching of [illegible]-of-the-mill cases referred to court in a rural California [illegible] which only [illegible] group.

Fourth, Wattenberg and Hoffman's Study of [illegible] youths [illegible] County, Illinois [illegible] proportionately high [illegible] as compared to high [illegible] the same area.

Fifth, the highly publicized Unraveling Juvenile Delinquency by the Gluecks in the Boston area analyzed that while 50% of juvenile delinquents lived with their parents, 71% of the children of the control group lived with them.

Sixth, a study of pre-war delinquents made in England by Carr Saunders and others resulted in a significantly higher percentage of delinquents coming from broken homes than the controls.

Thus these and other similar studies have led many social analysts to conclude:

1. After statistical adjustments as to age, ethnic and neighborhood biases "that the children with intact families have shown a clear and persistent advantage over those from broken homes, . . . especially true for the females."
2. "The home of the delinquent child appears to be much more 'defective,' 'immoral,' or 'inadequate' than are homes in general.
3. "In broken homes one seems to find a conjunction of deprivations and positive influences [illegible]

[illegible] Monahan [illegible] 44,448 [illegible] Philadelphia between 1949 and 1954 [illegible] broken homes [illegible] of white boys [illegible] three quarter of Negro girls. Less than one half of delinquent Negro boys came from broken homes. Therefore Monahan summed up his study as follows:

"All in all, the stability and continuity of family life stands out as a most important factor in the development of the child. The relationship is so strong that, if ways could be found to do it, a strengthening and preserving of family life [illegible] would probably accomplish more in the amelioration and prevention of delinquency and other problems than any other single program yet devised."

This conclusion is also supported by follow-up studies made by the Gluecks. In their study of former inmates they show that up to two-thirds of them have rehabilitated satisfactorily if they returned to a stable marriage. Thus the correlation between stable marriage and criminality can be considered strongly positive.

Further, it was F. Ivan Nye who found that the happiness factor was more closely related to delinquency than family status. Rather than the fact of brokenness, Nye focused on the psycho-social forces working within the family which tended to cause the breakdown. These forces can be mental retardation of the parents, psychoneurosis of one of the spouses, addiction to drugs, alcohol or gambling, character disorder of one or both parents, or any one of the several possible causes tend to make the family unhappy and inadequate. This does not mean that broken home and unhappy family are two separate, mutually exclusive influences on delinquency; but rather that the former is usually the result of the latter. Thus Jackson Toby underscores the importance of family cohesion and integration for fostering socially acceptable behavior on the part of its members in his "Differential Impact of Family Disorganization."

"The family not only transmits socially acceptable values to the new generation; it also seeks to prevent the child from [illegible]

[illegible]

A [illegible] study [illegible] Report [illegible] York [illegible]

[illegible] were as follows:

1. Broken home due to death, divorce, desertion and/or separation.
2. Unhappy and inadequate family on account of parental incompatibility [illegible] of both parents, and mental or emotional immaturity [illegible] economic insecurity.
3. Addiction of one or both parents to alcohol, drugs and gambling.
4. No or minimal degree of parental control and supervision over children.

Most of the offenders studied were below 25 years of age, and three out of the total were married. Only one or two of the cases were females. No distinction was made between first offenders, recidivists, probationers and ex-inmates. It was learned from this cursory study that thirty out of fifty or 60% of the cases were related to family disorganization for one or more of the criteria. Our only regret is that a study of a control group within the same community was [illegible]

[illegible] excerpt from [illegible] Pre-Sentence Report [illegible] to illustrate the correlation.

"The offender is a fair complexioned, auburn haired, Anglo Saxon with [illegible] distinguishing body marks. He [illegible] 18 year old bachelor whose height is [illegible] 11 inches and weight 140 lbs. He has a previous [illegible] record dating back to February 14, 1968, when he was convicted for Possession and fined $100.00. He was convicted again on November 4, 1969 for Break, Enter and Theft as well as for Possession. **Family Background:** Father is a 46-year-old commercial artist with an above average [illegible]. He is a thin, short and almost angular faced figure. He spoke calmly, candidly and coherently. Apart from having belonged to a bowling team for nineteen years, his social activities are almost nil. He described himself to be a quick tempered, somewhat domineering, difficult to please perfectionist, who can become overbearingly critical of others of the family. This has led him to occasional arguments with the offender.

Mother is an attractive and petite 44-year-old housewife, who has not been active beyond her domestic responsibilities, although she has worked "on and off" as a part time representative of a Cosmetic Company. She spoke calmly and naturally, but tended to be verbose and vague at times. She appears to be a

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Family And Crime . . .

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[illegible] alleged to have [illegible] in the offender [illegible] better treated by him [illegible] ... confronted ... with ... and ... of his ... emotions and ... father.

Siblings: A married sister ... A single sister ... employed as a secretary. ... The offender ... her as a companion.

[illegible] history of this family ... is ... of ... personality problems. The marriage was strained as ... as the couple ... together. Wife felt that husband was intolerably inconsiderate and ... to her needs. For example, she had to go without a washing machine for a few years ... when she had small children ... even when his income could well afford to purchase one. Eight years ago tension between the two erupted into a violent argument, when husband started to smash "things" around the house. Leaving the children with her husband, wife lived apart from him for about a week. Marital counselling was sought at that time with the North York Family Service Association.

The offender became particularly aware of the marital conflict five years ago. A pattern of increasing tension climaxed by a shouting match — described by the offender as a "big one" — would appear at monthly intervals. The girls would get excited, and they have called the police on more than one occasion. The offender feels that his home has not been a satisfying and comfortable experience, and tries to avoid even eating there.

Reciprocally, the father has not been close to the offender as well as to the other children. It would appear that he had surrendered this privilege to his wife by default many years ago. Personality clashes between the father and offender have also been part of this family's history. As recently as several days before the offences were committed, father confessed to a stormy argument with the offender over insignificant matters.

Parental Home Environment: This family home is located in a relatively new, middle-class Metropolitan Toronto suburb. Although their furnishings were neither new nor immaculate, they appeared to be adequate. Apart from the three single children presently living with the parents, there is also a student-boarder, a friend of the offender's younger brother, residing with them. One got the impression that there was only minimal family cohesion in this home, although the siblings were fairly ... to one another. Thus, this ... has been only a place ... for the offender.

[illegible] ... can be multiplied many times, at least from 50 ... of our ... files. Therefore, both from the literature available ... and from empirical data we can generally accept the ... that there is a significant correlative relationship between family ... and ... behaviour.

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[W]hat Is Saisei-Kai At Its 35th Anniversary

By HAL KAGETSU

[illegible] Saisei-Kai's 35th [illegible] Maybe, you haven't [illegible] Kai, never [illegible] existence [illegible]

[illegible] group is it? What [illegible] fair questions [illegible] they could be [illegible]. But they can't [illegible] nature obviously is [illegible] advantage to Saisei [illegible] because it does not get [illegible] recognition for [illegible] but more so be[cause it] does not get nearly the [illegible] support it so [deserves].

[illegible] material encouragement from the Emperor [illegible] Saisei-kai began in [Vancouver], B.C. essentially as a [illegible] organization to assist [the] Japanese Canadians. Subsequently Saisei-kai's aims were [illegible] to embrace altruism [in wider] terms. That is, Saisei-kai [illegible] interest[illegible] activity if it in the [illegible] promoted humanitarian[ism]. [illegible] Saisei-kai is today [illegible] not only with human [illegible] in the betterment [of the] society of man. Necessarily [it] will touch such fields as [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] dispose [illegible] your [illegible] will be [illegible] marks [illegible] its duties.

[illegible] explanation [illegible]

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W[illegible]

Wh[illegible] W[illegible] your [illegible] write to Mr. [illegible] Kobayashi, President, 91 [illegible] Cres., Willowdale, Ontario [or] to Mr. Roy [illegible] Treasurer, [illegible] Crescent, Willowdale, Ontario, or to Mr. Hal Kagetsu, the writer of this article, [illegible] Bayview [illegible] Ontario.

Before you [illegible], however, [illegible] this article to the finish. See for yourself if it makes any sense. Finally, after all is said and done, examine and weigh for yourself where human virtue lies.

I owe the following concept to a poem by Edgar A. Guest. He compares an individual's pursuits of living to a man walking ever onward on a special pilgrimage. There are countless faces for there are countless lives. Each is driven by different motives. All tread the same trail, however. Indeed many trip over the same protruding stone or sidestep the same hole.

Inevitably the trail drops down a ravine through which flows a large treacherous creek. All the pilgrims have no choice but to cross over to the other side — no choice but to wade through the cold and treacherous water.

Clearly, man being what he is, many are preoccupied with their own welfare. But also there are many helping hands extended to support the less steady. Different forms of help are needed on different occasions. While the right kind of help is often available from different sources, there is always not nearly enough of it.

All have [illegible] to [illegible] because they are [illegible] by nature, forced to live their own lives. It occurred to some pilgrims that the best way to help [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] wanted [illegible] to give the [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] May [illegible] being [illegible] by [illegible] the [illegible] be [illegible]

[illegible] help [illegible] in the water[illegible] worth [illegible]

[illegible] general [illegible] appeal to all readers [illegible] interest in Saisei-kai. Because [illegible] method of [illegible] by providing them with money, we in [illegible] naturally [illegible] donations [illegible]. More than money, however, this call is for your moral support — even an enquiry would be greatly appreciated.

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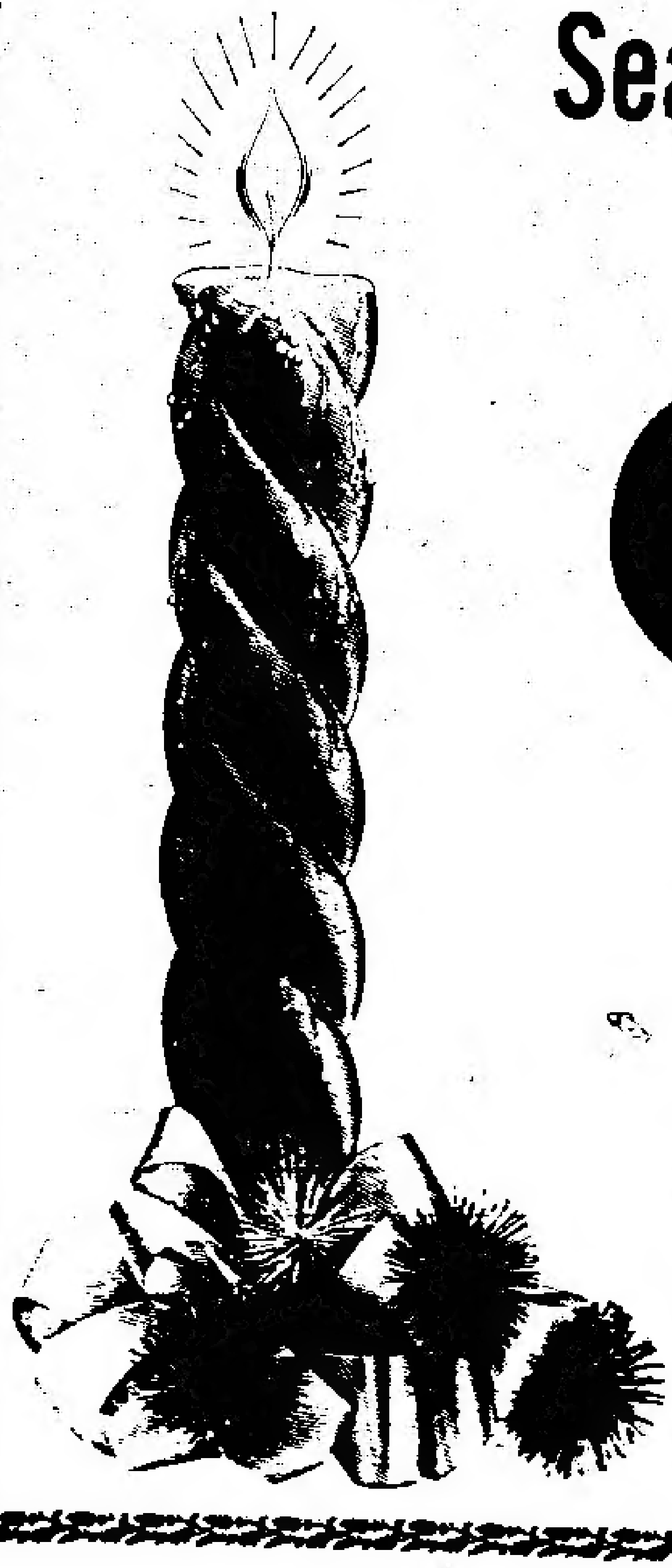

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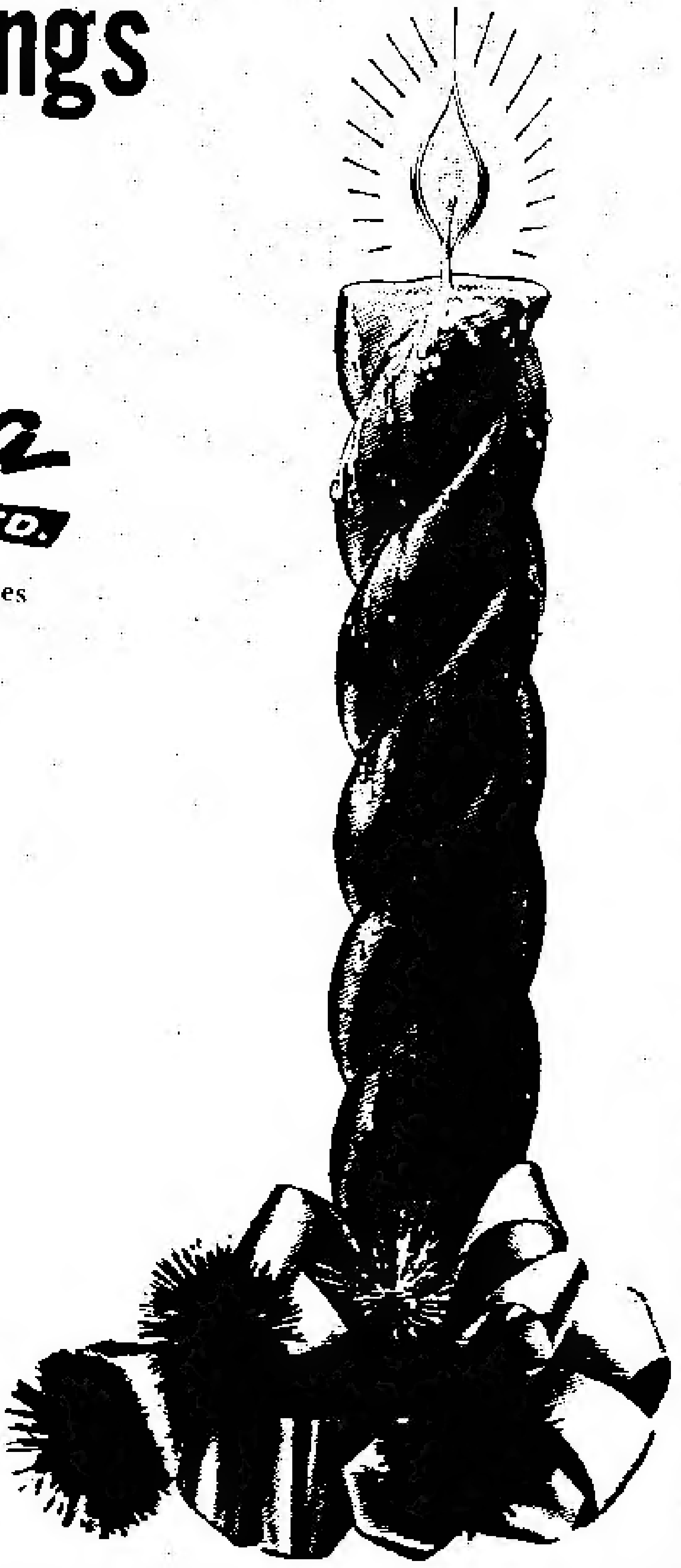

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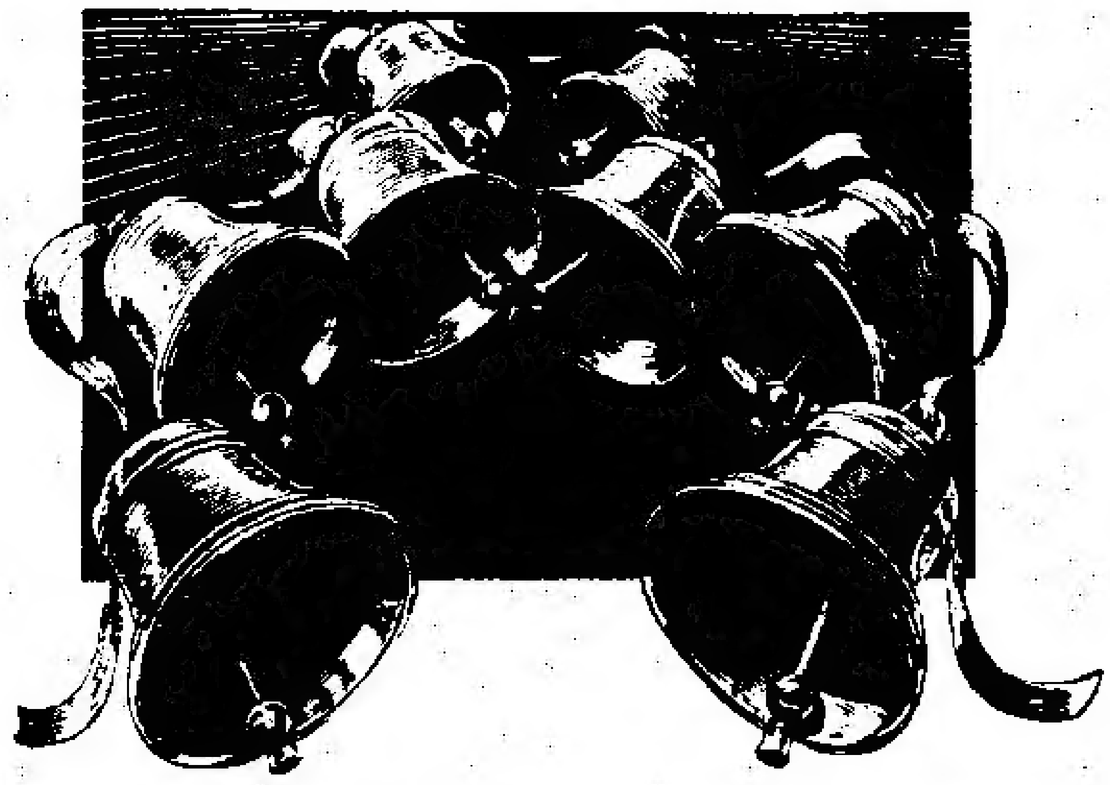

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（[illegible]よしの[illegible]）

[illegible]の[illegible]かな奴だが、さすがに[illegible]七月の陽光は[illegible]く[illegible]引いて九時を過ぎても[illegible]らなかった。まだ二[illegible]れば広島行の[illegible]は来ないのだ。「嫌だなア。」[illegible]な事があっても明日は無に帰つて[illegible]ばならぬ。帰つたらその翌日は[illegible]の者と山口[illegible]の駅方面に行く約束であ[illegible]も、Aと[illegible]の方を見るとも[illegible]もない。あごを突き出して駅の待合室の高い所にすえつけてあるテレビのドラマを見入つて動かない。[illegible]分には興味のない番組なので[illegible]を見る事にした。そこには若い女の子が何か買つている様子だつたが、[illegible]にちらつと見ただけで通り過ぎた。時計をみるとまだ一時間も半待たねばならぬ。その間外はとつぷり暮れてきつきから[illegible]にたむろしていた[illegible]らしい一団がガヤガヤと[illegible]になり、[illegible]の中にハ[illegible]の[illegible]がちらついていき、スナツクスを[illegible]いた[illegible]でアイスクリーム[illegible]であつた。やがて十一時[illegible]に寝[illegible]人々は[illegible]した。丁度その時[illegible]

[illegible]思われる[illegible]小柄な女の子が来て小さい声で、「おばさん、私を貴女のそばに置いて下さい。私は今男に追われて恐ろしいんです。」

私はとつさに「ああ、そう。それなら私についてお出で。」淋しい話は何も聞かないが兎に角助けようと心にきめた。

私は日頃からせつかちで少しあわてて者である。力量もない時に独断ずきで一寸行き過ぎの処もあるかも知れないが、出来るだけ親切にヘルプしようと思つた。女の子と私が並んだ後から美江もはいつて来た。汽車を待つ間わずかに[illegible]分。寝台車は後の方だから向うで待ちましよう。」と私が言うと、「あら、おばさん達は寝台車なの、私も寝台券を買いますよ。」

その時私は美江に向つて早口に女の子の事情を打ち明けた。美江は頭を横に振りながら女の子に向つて、「いけません、いけません。あんたはあつちに行きなさい」と[illegible]した。私は少女が可哀相になつて「あそこには悪い男がいるのよ」と言えば美江は[illegible]を尖らげて「あつちには[illegible]連れの人も居るじゃないの、あつちに行きなさい」「この人も寝台券を買うと言つてるのよ」といつても美江は[illegible]に「寝台券[illegible]らぬから駄目です。」

間もなく汽車は構内にはいつて来た。私は女の子に「乗りなさい、貴女は乗車券を買つているんだから乗り込めば何とかなります」と強引に乗せてしまつた。[illegible]寝台車は二つの空席があつた。四人一室になつていて美江と私が下の両側になつていたので、係員に頼んで女の子は美江の上段にして貰つて解決した。女の子がベッドに上る前に私は聞いてみた「一体貴女はどこで下車するの」「大分で」「誰か出迎えでもあるの」「いいえ」「親類でもあるの」「いいえ、ありません」「大分には夜中の三時に到着するのよ、どうする積りなの」「夜が明けるまで駅に居て駅長さんに保護して貰います」「ああ、そうしなさい。それでは大分に着く前に起して上げますから安心してお休みなさい」「どうも有難う」といつて女の子はベッドに上つた。

宮崎・大分間の夜行列車は道がけわしいのかひどくゆれる。雨も暑苦しくて眠れない。それから三十分も過ぎたであろうか。突然に私の寝台のまえに男が立つた。私は驚いてあッと叫んだ。男は勢よく私の上のベッドに飛び上つた。私と向い合つた寝台には美江が寝ているのにあたりは人の動揺もなく唯汽車のガタンゴトンの音しか聞えない。

汽車が大分に着く前に私は「もしもし」と女の子を[illegible]カーテンを少し[illegible]かして見ると彼女はもう起きて何か書いていた。「さあお手洗に行つて身仕度をなさい。私が一緒に行つて上げますから」彼女は従順について来て下車の仕度をした。「もういよいよお別れね」「おばさん大変お世話になりました。御礼に何か上げたいのですが何もありませんからこれでも受取つて下さい」「まア、御礼なんかいらないよ」と言つている時汽車は構内で止つた。さよなら、と一寸振り返つて彼女は下車した。駅員のオーイタ、オーイタの呼聲に彼女のハイヒールの音が次第に遠のいたかと思うと遂に消えた。

この数時間の出来事から解放された私は寝台に転んだまま静かに反省を繰返した。自分のした事は行き過ぎだつたろうか。でも救いを求められた場合自分としては見捨てて逃げる事は出来ない。それにしても美江の態度は鬼の様に思えて残念でならぬ。こんな事を考えて居る時、上段に寝ていた男がびつくりした様にパッと飛び降りたかと思うと素早く走り去つた。何者であろう。

夜が明けて汽車の中で物が見える様になつた時女の子からもらつた小さい包みを開けて見た。中から細長い二つの包と手帖をやぶつて書いた手紙が出て来た。私は先ず手紙を読んだ。

「おばさん御親切ありがとう御座居ました。安心して良く寝る事が出来、今日もまた楽しい旅が出来る事と思います。私は山、旅が大好きで、その度毎に詩を書く事も楽しんでいます。

○うらみは水に流せ、恩は石にきざめ

○世の中で一番尊いことは恩をむくいることだ

など、古のことわざがありますよう、この親切は私の心の一ページとしていつまでも残しておきます。

なにもありませんが、もう一人のおばさんと分けて下さい。」

何んと心の美しい娘ではないか。あれ程反対した美江にも記念の品を与えようと書いてある。私は感激を覚えて目頭が熱くなつた。小娘と見ていたが手紙を読むと自分の手本である。彼女は言葉少く、お互に名乗りもせず、何処の誰ともわからぬままに別れた。それが良い。詩的な出逢いであつた。向う側で目を覚ました美江に手紙を見せた。上手な字ね、と言つたきりで手紙を返えした。そのあと同じ様な二つの包をそのまま開きもせず一つを美江に与えた。彼女はすぐ開けてみてフフンと言つて自分の荷物の中に納めた。美江は折角貰つた記念品を喜んでいるのかどうか知らない。悪い事には美江は始めから助けを求めた女の子を不良少女で男と組んで私から金を巻上げる芝居をしているのだと思い込んでいるのであつた。ここが見解の相違である。私は少女を一見した時から決しん不良とは思つていない。お礼の手紙を読んだ時感激し今も尚思い続けている。別れる時少女からお礼に貰つた記念品は宮崎出身の歌人若山牧水の歌を杉の焼板で作つた短冊に白字で達筆に書かれた風流なものである。

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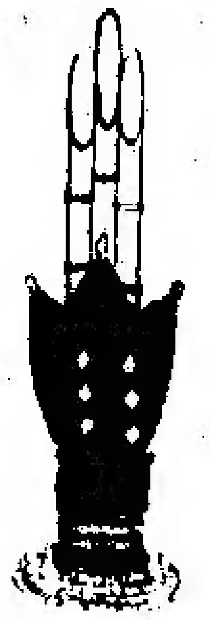

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今回東京の[illegible]は、一九七〇年の大阪エキスポに行きますか、はい行って見ようかと思います、いや是非か大混雑するだろうから是非[illegible]けそうもありません、等々と、お互いにエキスポ中心に話がはずんでいる。そして誰もが日本へ行ったら先ず[illegible]に違いない。故郷の墓参りをしたり幼な友達を訪問して昔話に花をさかせたり、夢をえがく。

私も先年何十年目かに逢いたい友人の住所を書き集めて大きな期待を持ったものである。ところが逢ってみると、どれもこれも期待がはずれて、さっぱり話が合わぬことにがっかりした。

それはお互いに何十年も全然違った環境に生活したので無理もない事であるが、あれ程日進月歩の勢で発展して何んでも世界一を誇る文明の国日本に住みながら明治・大正の時代に生れた女性の余りにも進んで居らないのは又どうした事だろう。私の友達の多くは家庭に納まって平凡な生活を送っていた。宮島でお土産物の製造業を営んでいる學友は家庭円満がご自慢で何度出逢っても自分の家庭の話ばかりで知的な処がさらにない。私より年上の京都の友は若い頃は「ハイカラさん」で通っていたが今は眼が悪く両方ともまぶたが自然に開かず両手をもって上下へ開いてやっと私を見る事が出来た。その仕種は気の毒でもあり、おかしくもあった。夫の在世中は大きな呉服店で財産はあるので自分の生活には事欠かないが、一人娘は夫の事業が思わしからず家族連れで母の処に引越して来たいというのだが「お母さんも、一人で金ばかりためて、いつまでここに頑張るんや。片足は棺桶につっ込んでいる癖に」と言われたとき、これが可愛がって育てた娘の言葉かと思ったら泣けてしまった、と聞いて気の毒でならなかった。信州から京都に出ていた私より八才も年長の友は「若い頃僧籍に在った夫が日蓮宗の僧侶の間で起った人民戦線のリーダーで投獄され長年苦労したが子供が成長してから嫁との間が面白く行かず一生涯苦労の連続だが、今頃日本では『家付・カー付・ババ抜き』という言葉が流行し嫁に来る者の権利が強く母の座は崩れかけているのよ」と淋しく笑っていた。

今一人私の十代の終り頃に出来た美江という友は、若い時は一番気が合ってお互に無二の友と言い合った仲であった。彼女は中農の末娘として余り不自由もせず母から愛されて育ったが彼女が二十二才の時結婚してシアトルに行った。ところが女の子が二人共学齢に達した頃夫の反対を押し切って日本に連れ帰った。それがそもそも不幸の原因となったのである。夫からはたった一度送金してきた切りで音信不通になり親子三人は実にミジメな生活をせねばならなかった。丁度私が戦前家庭上の用件を帯びて訪日した時、美江から頼まれてカナダに帰ると直ぐシアトルまで出かけて彼女の夫に逢い美江の窮状を訴えた事があった。その時の彼女の夫はなかなか物分りの良い返事で「自分の金は古里の銀行が破産したとき全部失ってしまったから今どうすることも出来ないので、これからアラスカへ働きに行って秋になったら必らず送金します。私も手紙を出しますが貴方からもお伝え下さい」と約束して貰ったが実現せずヌカ喜びに終った。その後戦争になり戦後もずっとお話にならぬ苦しい生活をしたという話である。

人は誰れでも余り悲惨な生活をすると人間の純情を失って、人情の薄い強情で意地ぎたない人間になるらしい。先年訪日した時の美江の性格がすっかり変って貧乏な癖に見栄坊で人をケナす、好ましくない人間になって居るのでがっかりした。でも彼女は私がカナダに来てから広島郊外の私の実家に出入りする様になり私の母と仲良しになって自分の甥と私の妹を結婚させる事に成功して私の母の相談相手になっていた。私にしてもこの度の訪日は再渡航してから二十八年も経過していたので当分は彼女と一緒に旅行する方がお互に良い事と思っていた。梅雨期に入ったうっとおしい日の続く或夜、呉から広島の美江の処に電話して「明朝九州方面へ旅行したいのだが一緒に行けますか」と言うと「あら、連れて行って下さるの、行きますよ、何時の汽車で」と、とても嬉しそうな声がはね返ってきた。翌朝七時定刻通り熊本行の汽車に乗込んで小倉で下車した。

小倉には戦前カナダから帰って落着いた生活をして居られる白川唯一氏夫妻がいる。ぜひ逢いたいから来て欲しいと再三手紙を貰っていたのでお伺いした。大きな立派な家を建て、家の回りは花の樹と草花で埋まっていた。御主人はエホバのウイットネスの伝道に忙がしく八十才というのに終日モーターサイクルで走り回って居られた。生活は安定して夫妻共のん気な余生を送って居られるのでうらやましくさえ思った。そこでは三日も滞在した。美江は或日家を一廻りして来て「まあ、この家では昔ながらのベッドに寝るのねえ。いたしいのに。」（六カしいの意 と言った。

翌朝三角まで行き汽船で天草に渡った。その頃はまだ五橋の工事が始まったばかりで、群青の海は悠々として実に美しい眺めであった。天草では親戚に一泊して元ロンドンに居られた高島義親氏にもお逢いした。何んとなく淋しい感じを受けたがそれから一年もせぬ内に昇天されたと聞いて驚いた。

天草ではキリシトの殉教者の遺跡に案内して貰ったが美江には少しの興味も無かった。託児所に行ったとき「ここの保母さんは粗末な着物を着ているじゃないの」「保母さんは赤ちゃんに食物を与えたり風呂に入れたり、いつもだっこするのできれいな風は出来ないよ」・どこに連れて行っても、そこの悪口ばかりで、或時はバスの車掌の態度が横着だと立腹してその前へ談判した事もあった。

翌日鹿児島に一泊の予定で天草を立った。再び船に乗った時「昔の歌でも歌いましょう。カナダで友達と旅行する時は誰か一人が歌い出すと直ぐ後を続けてとても楽しいのよ」「わたしでも歌うよ」と美江は言ったがちっとも歌わない。私は朗々とした声を張上げて「我は海の子白浪の」と声高く歌い出したが後が続かない。一寸がっかりして席を離し甲板を歩きながら自分一人で若き日の思出をこめて歌ったが結局楽しかった。翌日は汽車で鹿児島から宮崎に行き観光バスで青島の洗濯岩やサボテン山等珍らしい景色に眼を楽しませたが夕方になると終点の宮崎駅まで帰って来た。皆は遊び疲れた様な足どりでぞろぞろと降りてレストラントに行く者、汽車の切符を買う者でしばらく駅はざわついた。私共も食事を済ませてから市中の一郭を歩いて見たが宮崎駅の付近は広々としてきれいである。それに駅員もバス関係の人達もなかなか親切で好感が持てた。

（以下第五ページ）

拝み合える世界

カナダ佛教団総長 石浦入道

[illegible]内やよわや合理主義による分析する文明は隣が鳴りひびいているようである。たしかに科学の進歩は限りも無くように生産力の増大をもたらした。その発達で生活内容も新しい変動をあげている。今後も科学は無限に驚かすものを世に出す時代が来るに違いない。

このように進歩しながら、その証左 分析につぐ分析は人間と人間との断絶時代を招来した。恐らく世間をさわがしている国家独立、労働者と資本主義、帝国紛争に見られるように憎悪とともに收拾すべからざる混乱に陥っている。学生と教授、学生と教官、大学側と警察当局もその一例である。

近代文明讃嘆の態鳴が合理化の潮水によ[illegible]伝統の美徳をも破棄し、家庭の中に罩った親子関係の空中分解も、分析へきによる観法の改定が一助をなしている。日系カナダ人の祖国である日本の現状は長子相続から兄弟姉妹などえの均分相続にした。ネコの額のような耕地をどうしてわけるのか。長男が現金でも持っておれば別だが、そうでないと百姓をやめなければならぬ。

老父母のめんどうは先祖代々の位牌を抱える長子がみることになっていた。これを子供全部に義務を課したが、全部に課すのは結局人として責任を負わぬことに通ずる。子供たちの責任回避は老父母にみじめな思いをさせている。ここに対立しながら、根元え根元ヶとかえる一如の東洋精神が見なおされる時代が来た。

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まことに平凡な真理で、世界の行詰りも、主我主義による感謝を忘れた要求につぐ要求から来ている。坂村真民はいみじくも『両手を合せたら、けんかもできまい、両手に持ったら壊れもしまい、一切衆生を両手に抱け』とうたっている。

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こうして遂に、汽車はもちろんバスも通らぬ奥地方に分け入り、やがて山から木材を運ぶトラックに乗せて貰い、遂には馬代と牛代を[illegible]いして現地の馬を買って旅行し、あとで[illegible]何日分かの借[illegible]して馬を元の持主に返えす、というようなことも度々あった。奥地に於いては[illegible]十分通じない現地人の家で、ノドに[illegible]を水で流し込み[illegible]ための[illegible]の周りにノルリと[illegible]を立て[illegible]し、何のことはない、[illegible]ていような[illegible]とも[illegible]、飛行機[illegible]ストップして不時着したり、二万ニー[illegible]の土[illegible]を掘り下げてジャングル[illegible]を切り開き、開いた[illegible]の牧草を植えて牛をふやし、「息子の時代にはアマゾン一の大牧場にします」と語る二十七才の日系青年のところに泊ったり、金山キラキラ光る水晶の山を越えたり、およそ普通の旅行者の経験しない旅の明け暮れであった。おかげで多くの南米移住地の表裏と移住者の喜び悲しみを身をもって知ることができた。

かくて、最後の地アマゾンに到り、約一〇〇〇マイルの中流までさかのぼり、幾つかの移住地を訪ねて再び河口までたどり着いた時にはすでに日本を出て一年に近い歳月が過ぎていた。持っていた金は殆とんど全部使い果たし、わずかの着替えの外に残るはアメリカ本土までの切符代と、最後の場合に金に換えようと思った時計とカメラ位であった。一切を使い切り、旅を終ってサバサバした心境になり、明日はベレンを発ってこの長い思い出豊かな南米を去ろうという夜、いま思いもかけぬ奇の訪問を受けたのである。

「近頃珍らしい計画の、面白い男が移住地を廻っている」という噂を聞いて、「敬天愛人」を言う男なら会ってみよう、ということになった由。住所不定、なるべく都会地を避けて通る[illegible]るかは分らぬが「最後の出国地はベレン」という話だけをたよりに、サンパウロ州各地の足あとを追い、ブラジリヤを過ぎて、ついにここまで来たという。

最後の夜の奇遇。同気相求めるか、時が時、場所が場所だけに、私は深い感銘を受けざるを得なかった。

自分一代はおろか、父子二代三代、いや一族累代の命をかけ、その知と勇と財を傾け尽して、この大宝庫を開こうというのである。その計画の當否は人の議するに任せるが、海外移住とはかくも壮大なものか。そしてかくも人間に生き甲斐を感じさせるものであろうか。

「名モ要ラヌ、命モ要ラヌ、金モ名誉モ要ラヌ、ト言ウ人ハ始末ニ困ル・ナレデハ天下ノ大事ヲ語ルニ足ラヌ」とは、この人の父が遠き四十年の昔、海外移住を決意してアマゾンに飛びこんだ時、ひそかに心にくり返えしたであろう偉人の言葉。父の血はそのままにこの人に伝わっているのを見る。

アマゾンの夜はすでにふけた。談は尽きぬが会者定離(えしゃじょうり)。いつまた会えようか。われは遠く日本へ、彼は再びジープを駆ってサンパウロへ…。

時はながれて早や八年の昔。大志に生きる偉丈夫をはるかに偲んで思いは今もなお切々。その人の名は、カミゾノ・タカシ。

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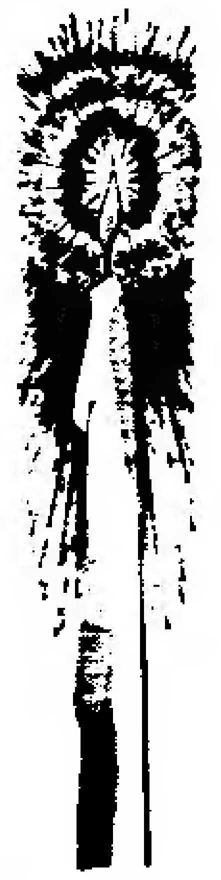

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柏楠格

幼い時にすごした新春は情緒に深く刻みこまれているようです。

私たちは、これを「お正月」と呼び、それには、新と旧の二つがありました。

新・旧が、それぞれ、太陽暦と太陰暦によるものであることは衆知の通りですが、官庁・会社・学校が新正月にあわせて休暇を作っていたのに、田舎の方では、農作業の関係から、旧正月の習慣をごく最近まで続けたようです。

昆布の上に鏡餅をおいて三宝にのせ、その上に橙を飾り神を迎えます。

田舎では、新年を迎えるため、米一俵くらいの餅をつくもので、年の瀬近くになると、静寂のしじまを破って、餅搗きの音が響いたものです。

餅搗きの音を聞いて、子供の心もはずみました。

大晦日の夜は、そばをすすり、除夜の鐘がなり終るのを待ちきれず、白い息をはきながら、初詣でに神社仏閣に出かけるのですが、闇の中に、ほのかに匂う注連飾りの家、門松の飾り、貧しきも富めるも、それぞれなりに、新春の粧を見せていました。

それから、屠蘇、雑煮の食膳につくわけですが、私たちの時代になると、もう正座の習慣が消えつつあったので、新春の正座は少からぬ苦痛をともなったものです。

田舎では、元旦から三日間は箸を使わず、栗の小枝を削って作った箸を使っていました。

それから、花は福寿草と早咲きの紅梅。ともに、あのふんわりとふくらんだ蕾は、やはり、新春のなごやかさの象徴といえるでしょう。

障子を通す陽光は、こし器にかけた水のようなやわらかさをもっています。

その光に、ぱっとうつし出される鏡餅の下に、福寿草や紅梅の鉢は、ちんまりと座を占めていました。

元日が終っても、三日、七日、十四日と、それぞれの色彩をもった行事が続きます。

なずな、せり、ごぎょう、はこべ、ほとけのざ、すずな、すずしろ の七草を真魚板の上で叩いて作る七日の七草粥は、万病の薬と言い伝えられていますが、野菜貯蔵方法の発達しない時代に、冬のビタミン・シー欠乏を補充しようとする先人の叡知に出たものといえるでしょう。

交通、通信の発達、マスコミの浸透によって、最近の正月は、行事も商業化され、定型化されていくようです。そして、地方地方の多彩な行事も、特色を失って、画一化されていくようです。この流れを止める術もないのですが、心のゆとりのなさから、先を争い事故を起すようなことだけは防ぎたいものです。

一日一日を緊張の中に過し、小間切れに伝えられるインフォーメーションに一喜一憂する現代人として、やはり、時には、書をひもとき、或いは、静かに来し方、行く先を考えてみる必要もあると考えていますので、新春に当り皆さんとともに、日本とカナダの繁栄を祈りつつ、かつ、静思の機会を得たいと思っている次第です。

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さきほどから語りつづけるその人の言葉に私はただただ深い感銘を受けるのみであった。

南米の地図を開けば日本の二十二倍というブラジルがある。そこには海外日系人百三十万の半分が定着し大部分は南の大都サンパウロ市の周辺に住む。彼はそのサンパウロの町で洗濯業を営むという。そして、一週間前にジープで家を出発し、今ようやくベレンに到着して私を訪ねてきたというのである。

当時、ブラジルは新しい国土開発の大計画を立て、国の中央、人影もない奥地大平原の真只中にブラジリヤという世界に稀な雄大極まる都造をはじめていた。そこにつぎこまれた莫大な資金が今もなおブラジルの大インフレの原因といわれるほどである。ここを中心とし、ブラジル全土に向って放射線の如き無数のハイウエイが計画された。しかしカナダと同じ位の若き国ブラジルは、海岸に近いところが開けただけで国の中央部はまだ半開。ましてや北方アマゾン地方はまだ千古斧を入れない大密林である。

ハイウエイの予定地も密林の中を一直線に大木を切りのけたばかりのところが多い。

サンパウロからブラジリヤまでは到達することが出来ても、さらにアマゾン河口ベレンに地上を通って達することは大難行の筈であった。行程二〇〇〇マイル。

サンパウロを発して一週間その人はこの難路をジープで走って私に会いに来たという。そも何事を告げようとするのであろうか。

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東海の一小島からアジア大陸への発展の雄図むなしく明治十年薩摩の山に若者ともと骨を埋めた大西郷。その果し得なかった夢をこんどは南北アメリカ大陸に花咲かせようとする日本青年達の移住の後姿に、地下の声はきっとそうささやいたに違いない。この大西郷を尊敬することひとしお厚い青年が、若い妻と幼い子供を連れてアマゾン中流に移住したのは今を去る四十年の昔である。

アマゾン大河。それはペルーのアンデス山脈に源を発し、南米大陸を横切って東方大西洋に注ぐ。本流の長さ約四〇〇〇マイル。カナダの東の端から西の果てまでの距離に近い。合流する支流の数は五〇〇に上り流域の面積はペルー、ボリヴイヤ、ベネズエラ、コロンビア、エクアドル、ギアナおよびブラジルにまたがって実に日本の十九倍に及ぶ。河口から一〇〇〇マイルのマナオスまでは一万トンの大船が航行。河幅は上流では三―五マイルであるが河口近くでは五〇マイルに達し、大西洋の出口にはオンタリオ湖の二倍もある島をかかえこんでいるというケタはずれの大河である。飛行機から見ると、本流に流れこむ支流のうちには真黒な河がある。地中から滲み出る油の色だと聞いた。埋蔵される地下資源もカナダと同じく無尽蔵で、すべて未開発のまま眠る。

二十世紀の今日、人間が開くべきフロンティアというものがあるとすれば、このアマゾンこそ勇気と知能ある人々の挑戦に値する地域にちがいない。けれども今はまだ一部を除いて大自然の偉力がはるかに強く、文明の光が及ばないアマゾンの天地である。その巨人の横腹に勇敢にも開拓の斧を打込み、今日ブラジルが誇る黄麻（ジュート）とコショウ（ピメンタ）の産業を軌道にのせたのが日系同胞である。入植以来半世紀以上のその苦難の道程はただ涙の累積であった。その血と汗に満たされた同胞の歴史を[illegible]の渡航前に、いま苦斗する人こそ、四十年の昔、[illegible]に手を引かれてアマゾン中流の一寒村に移り住んだ彼の幼童なのである。父も弟妹も今日なお入植当初の故地に住むという。親と同胞を残し、遠く文化の町サンパウロにただひとり何の都住まいであろうか？

文化はまだ及ばないアマゾンの中に暮しながら、このパイオニア一家、実は歴史を見る目を備えていた。世界の中の南米、その中のアマゾン。豊かな土と水と太陽と、そして無尽蔵の資源とに恵まれた大アマゾン地方は、一旦開発されれば人類十億を養うに足る世界最後の宝庫といわれることを熟知していた。その宝庫のカギは？？「アマゾンの“河”を制する者がアマゾンを制する――船とそれを動かす人を作れ」。それがこの一族の結論であった。まず船長と機関士の養成からはじまった。一族と日本同胞の中から俊秀の士を選んで商船大学に学ばせるのである。サンパウロに構えた家は彼らの寄宿舎であり洗濯業で得られる収入は悉く彼らの学資となる。

ベレン会見のその時までにもう何人かの大学生が出来たとのことであった。船長と機関士養成は軌道にのった。つぎは船造り。文明の利器と知能を持ってこのパイオニア一族がアマゾンに帰える日も遠くはあるまい。

語りつづけるその人の言葉と実行力に、私はただ傾聴するばかりであった。その眸のなんと澄んでいることよ。その態度はなんと堂々たることよ。しかも、その気魄はなんと烈々たることか。

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実は訪問を受けた私の方も、その頃甚だ変った面白い旅を続けているところであった。当時、日本の農村では人材養成と二・三男の対策をどうするか、ということが真剣に論議されていた。その一環として、農村青年を米国、ヨーロッパなどに二―三年派遣し、その進んだ農業技術や機械知識、合理的な生活様式などを勉強させ、帰国したら農村の中堅者になって貰うことと海外に眼が向いた者にはドンドン移住もして貰おうという事業が行われていた。しかし、海外移住の気持が起ったとしても、どの国のどの場所に、どんな形で移住をしたらよいかということが問題になる。この海外派遣事業に直接関係していた私は、自分の同志や後輩達に移住をすすめる立場に居て移住先の実情もよく知らない、というのでは無責任であるし、第一良心が許さない。それでも旅費の出る所もないので、男一匹心を決めて、山や畑を売って切符代と一〇〇万の金を作り三カ月位の予定で南米各地の移住地調査に出かけた次第である。（以下五頁へ）

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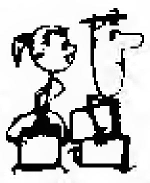

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森 研三

ある日の午後、ひょっこと、トム編集長にあらわれた老一世の一人が、言葉はなしとながら論にいうとなく「青春時代」は粋まもにこしやことはないね、という言葉が、それから頼ろうとするとの文章に、なくイなく感動を加えるような気持ちである。

けれども創刊三十年記念は二度と来ないし、その長いあいだとにかく「新聞づくり」を続けてきたことでもあり、それにたいしてお祝いまで読者からいただく言葉をそのままに受けてはおけない。

私事にふれるのはをこがましいが、二十一年前にウィニペッグからトロントに帰ってきた本社に頼まれて入社したさい、紙上に「青いトマト」の見出しで「みなさんの暖かい友情とはげましをうけて、青トマトが熟することになれば、その上ない幸いである」とのあいさつ文を書いたのはつい昨日のような思いである。

崇高な理想である「社会の公器」とか「木鐸」とかに縛られる余裕などなく、ただ外国で日本語新聞を出すことだけで精一杯。とくに日系人の少ないカナダで業である事は周知の通り。

それでも戦前、三つの日刊紙が発行されてきた事実は、いつも誇り気に胸を張って語らせるのだ。英字紙や英文雑誌記者にインタビューされる度毎に、その歴史を忘れることなく指摘して、日系紙を支持してきた日系カナダ人をほめたてるのを私は内心快よく思うのである。

その時代のはげしい競争裡に若い記者として陣中に立たされ、零細な糧を食んできたことが戦後再び運命づけられており、それからの脱却は無意味なもがきでしかないかも知れないと思うこともある。

通りいっぺんな表現しかできないが、先覚諸氏が数自由を守り、日系人の福利、発展のために報酬を度外視して新聞をつづけてきた意気と努力には、最高の敬意を払わずにおられない。戦前からの新聞人は三人の老一世と私だけが現役として残っているだけである。

「若い」ことで誤りを許してもらい、そしてその若さのために、時にはドンキホーテのような蛮勇をペンにしながら、ともかく二十数年もめしを食いつづけてきたが、横着に生きてきたのかなあ、と心寒いものがないでもない。私としては私の「ベスト・イヤーズ」(最良の年齢)を新聞づくりに費やしてきたといいたい。しかし、それは大した効目のない賣薬をのんできたよ[illegible]い。残念なことである。

青いトマトは二十年かかって、やっとピンク色をつけたように見えて「セミ・ライフ」といえないことはないが、中味はまだまだ青クサミが残っているに違いない。これからさらに十年しないと本当に熟さないのであろう。そんな年頃になるとすれば、見覚えがあり、なじみ深い一世の方々はあっちにぽつん、こっちにぽつんといった淋しい時代になろう。

それでも私は腰をぐんと伸ばして、なお、もっと多くの一世たちをさがし求め遠く過ぎ去った夢を追うように空を仰いで「おーい、みんなどこにいったのかー」と叫び声をあげる姿を想像しないでおられない。精々がんばろう。

西独工業中心地から

斉木 千九郎

楠月さん。「クリスマス号に何か——」と、お便りがあるに、ああ、一年経つたなあと思います。数えてみれば小生がトロントを離れてから三年になります。

光陰矢の如し、とはよく言ったものです。印度に二年、それから昨年の今ごろ貴地に参り僅か一年たちます。不思議なことに転勤で移動する時期が偶々貴誌の期末号発行の前に当るのです。本年は転勤はなかったのですが、十二月一日に公[illegible]したものですから[illegible]全く忙がしい歳末となって了いました。運びこんで、これから解体し整理しなければならない荷物にかこまれて、この筆を走らせる仕儀と相成った次第です。

それにしても貴輪によれば、大兄を初め小生旧知の貴地の方々、何れもお元気の様子にて何よりと存じます。小生貴地に在任中公私共に親しく交流した方々を折にふれて懐かしく思い出します。どうか何時迄も御壮健に、日系社会のため尽されんことを祈っております。

トロントの総領事館も山田、坂上両君が去って、小生在任当時東京から来た顔ぶれと言えば古田君を残すのみとなりましたね。トシ田中もバンクーバーへ移つたようですし、行比さんと福坂さんが開館当時からのメンバーと言ったことになりますか。新任の柘植総領事は小生と同時期に外務省に入った言わば同期の櫻です。ボンユー(朋友)であります。誠実な苦労人であり、よい人が貴地に赴任したものと欣んで居ります。

さて、当デュッセルドルフへ来て一年、瞬く中に経って了いました。当地は御承知の通り西独の工業の中心地で、その発展ぶりはめざましいものがあります。日本の商社、メーカー等、百社以上の支店があり、一、四〇〇名位の日本人が当デュッセルドルフに居住しています。日本人クラブ、日本商工会議所もあり、活潑な活動をして居りまして、欧洲大陸に於ける日本企業の最大の基地となっています。ドイツ人の対日感情も伝統的に極めて良好で愉快にやって居ります。戦後初めての労働党政府樹立、マルク切上げ等、ドイツは政治的にも経済的にも目まぐるしく動いて居り勉強に事欠きません。それにしても戦後二十数年たって、この前の戦争で敗戦した日本とドイツが夫々アジアと欧洲の眼となって興隆しつつある現状は、歴史的に見ても極めて興味ある事実でありましょう。

この夏は東京に置いている二人の息子が夏休みを利用して当地に参りましたので、オランダ、スイス、フランス等駈け足でつれて歩きました。歴史の重みと言ったものを犇々と感ずると言って居りました。確かにその意味ではアメリカ、カナダは建国後百年で歴史的には若々しさを感じ、印度の場合は過去の栄光と現在のインドとの間に断絶があり有機的なつながりが見出せないように思われます。

冒頭に述べましたように住居移転でガタガタして居りますので本日はこれ位にして、いずれ落着きましたら又あらためて近況をお報らせすることと致します。住居を移転しましたのは、今迄の公邸が手狭でしたので、もう少し大きいのを見つけることが出来たのであります。家主は戦前に日本で工学を教えていた由であり、大の親日家で構内には日本庭園もあり正にうってつけです。こちらへ来られる方があれば喜んで泊っていただけると存じます。

では、よき年を迎えられるよう祈ります。(十二月四日、デュッセルドルフにて)

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平原州 北斗生

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雑感「世の中」

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恙がなく今年も越せり初日の出　門永 [illegible]
懐手して全身の冷え包む　梶岡 北斗
ほぐし終えし大樹の下ナ落葉掃く　梶岡 [illegible]女
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慈雨を乞いつつ想う 雪のあるクリスマス

レソト國 三井千恵

久し振りに、待ちに待つた雨が、ほんのお印の様に降り、それでも今夜は大分涼しい。考えてみると、もうこの国で二回目のクリスマス。昨年は十二月二十三日にレソト・マルセルに着に着き、スイス人宣教師ピー夫妻に迎えられ、ピー家にお世話になってクリスマスを過した。それから十二ヵ月後の今も、相変らず乾燥期間の様な感じて、農家専門、そして又一ヵ月後先きに、もう一度引越しをひかえて余裕がない。

カナダでは今頃雪でも降っているだろうか。こんな暑さの中にサンタクロースが懐しく想出される。何と云ってもクリスマスはやはり寒く、雪も降り、クリスマス・ツリーと、その下に沢山のプレゼント、飾った窓、室内、キャロル・ディナーに、外の寒さに対して家の中の暖かさ、ファイアプレースの火、楽しさ、家族、友達 そうした物、全部含めたものが、クリスマスであった様だ。そしてカナダでは、この何んでもない雪も様の事の一つ一つが今は、無性に懐しく懐いで思い出される。

暑い、暑くてターキー・ディナーどころでないし、もっとまじめな気持になると、手離しに喜んで、おめでたい毎日を送る事がやはりもうちょっと躊じさせる様な所だ。

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レソトにも西欧の習慣が入り込んできて、日曜学校でクリスマス・ツリーを飾りたいというので、子供達に折り紙を教えることにした。約二十人という事だったのが、その時になってやって来た子供達は百人程。家へ入りきれずに前のポーチと芝生の上でする事にした。半分の子供は、先ず粘土で彼等お得意の動物――牛、馬、羊等を造る。不思議と、この国の人は、誰でもとても上手に粘土で動物を造る。

折り紙はカナダでも多勢に一人で教えて見て、その大変さにこりたので、先ずやさしい『家』『犬の顔』そして少数の大きい方の子に『鶴』を教えたが、粘土が上手な子供達だけあって上手に折紙も折る事が出来て感心した。折紙は糸でクリスマス・ツリーに飾り、粘土の動物は、イエス様の馬小屋を作って飾ることにした。

先きに帰った子供達を相手に、主人がウクレレを持ち出して来て『幸せなら手をたたこう』とか『クムバヤ』等の歌を皆で唱った。彼等の歌の上手な事もまた特別で、とても生き生きしている。この十一月最後の日曜日には大学生達が朝の礼拝を受持ち、大学のコワイヤーが午後音楽会をしたので、そのメンバー全員約五十人程が、この家の居間、食堂、廊下をいっぱいにしてジュースをのみ持参のサンドイッチを食べ、これも一息つくと又皆で唱い出し身振りもよく、足ぶみして楽しそうだし、見ていても気持がよかった。

賛否両論あるにしても、ドラムと歌と身振りとの礼拝で、教会に若い人の息を吹き込んでくれた様だ。

音楽会では、重点が少し西洋の歌とニグロ・スピリチュアルに片寄っていて残念だった。もっとこの土地の、彼等の歌を唄って欲しかった。やはり、クリスマス・新年等は、特別のシーズンで、とりわけ、ヴァンクーヴァーの生活や友達が懐かしくなり、少し感傷的になったりしてしまう。

せめて雨が降って、レソトが又早魃におびやかされずに済む様にと云うのが、今の私達の願いだ。

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人の為に

トロント タエ

ネパールは世界で一番素朴で純質な人々の住む土地ときく。だが彼等は貧しさと病のため早く死んで行く。平均寿命が四十に達しない。

本当に気の毒なこの可哀想な人々の倖せを願って、一生をこの人達に捧げようと決心して、『私達は皆一つのもの』『みんなで生きるために』と活躍していられるのが岩村昇博士御夫妻である。

いそがしくて手紙を書くひまもない先生から先達ってはじめていただいた葉書に、『……ネパールの人達は物では貧しくても心は美しく、こちらが教えられることばかりであります。こういう人達と一緒に暮し働かせていただくのはまことに幸せであります。』とかいてよこされた。

倖せを願って『人は人の為にいきる』

わがなす如き小さき業のとるにたらぬをしりてはあれど……。私は人間医学誌一月号をネパールの人達の倖を願って、岩村先生御夫妻に贈った。

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梅月生

「あんた、頭だって手足と同んなし、時々は、いや、できれば毎日〃体操〃させんとだめになるらしいですよ。つめこむばかりでなく時折りは、「出すこと」（書くこと、つまり私の言う頭の体操も考えないとサビがつきますよ」――なんどと、失礼な言葉もまじえた手紙をあの人、この人に、十一月早早に出した。

結果は上々。少し効きすぎた感じで、ここ数年ナンモクしていた形の人々からも、やや遅ればせではあるが次々に反響あり、それやこれやで特別号の原稿はどっさり集まって全部を収録しきれず、普通号の本年最終版に廻したりもする非礼をおかしました。

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皆さま

おめでとうございます――を紙上で申上げます。

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年頭の辞

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[illegible]の首途、新年おめでとうございます。新春の慶びを申し上げるとともに、心から皆様の御健康と御多幸をお祈りいたします。

多くの[illegible]と[illegible]に富んだ一九六〇年代も終り、[illegible]の進歩と[illegible]を抱いて、一九七〇年代を迎えようとして居ります。

一九六〇年代を通じ日加両国の関係は、あらゆる面で[illegible]、[illegible]いことです。

一九六〇年代からの日加関係[illegible]に於ける[illegible]して参りました。[illegible]はシャープ外相以下五人のカナダ閣僚を迎え、東京に於いて第五回閣僚委員会が開催されました。又一昨年はサスカチワン州のサッチャー首相、昨年はマニトバ州のシュライヤー首相が外務省招待の下に訪日され、日本の産業、文化の全般に亘り視察されました。この様な政府首脳の相互訪問が今後とも發展し、日加関係緊密化が促進されることを切に望みます。

この十年間に於ける経済関係の発展にはまさに目ざましいものがあります。一九六〇年、往復三億弗弱であった日加貿易は、昨年には一一億弗を越えると見込まれており、実に四倍という貿易の伸びを記録したことになります。それは両国に於ける高い経済成長率により助けられたことは言うまでもありませんが、両国の言わゆる補完的貿易関係が相互の経済発展に大きく貢献して來たわけでもあります。小麦等を含むカナダの農産物輸出市場として日本は今後も重要な市場であり、さらに最近は鉱石、木材等の分野に於ける日加協力関係も活発化してきております。七〇年代の日加経済関係は両国の繁栄にさらに大きく寄与するものと確信いたしております。

日加両国間の政治、経済関係の緊密化と同時に、六〇年代を通じて両国民の間に相互理解と友情が益々深められて來たことは誠に心強いことです。就中、六七年のモントリオール・エクスポ、七〇年の大阪エクスポはお互いの国をかつてなく身近かなものに感じさせることになりました。今年の大阪エクスポには、カナダは連邦政府のほかにビーシー、オンタリオ、ケベック各州が夫々パビリオンを建設することは、カナダの政府と国民の對日関心が如何に大きいかを如実に示しているものと言えましょう。

この機会に日本を訪問するカナダの多くの方々が、日本に対する認識をさらに深められ、それが両国の友好と相互繁栄に役立つであろうことを疑いません。どうぞ、読者の皆様もこの機会に日本を訪問され、大きく発展しつつある日本の姿を御覧になられるようお勧めいたします。

七〇年代の世界がいかなる歴史を生み出そうとしているのか、誰しも予想し得ませんが、それが大阪エクスポのテーマである「人類の進歩と調和」にふさわしいものであるよう祈るものであります。

私はカナダに着任して以来六ケ月にもなりませんが、日加友好関係の促進のため最大の努力をはらう決意でおります。この機会に皆様の御支援と御協力とをお願いする次第であります。

苦難時を憶いて

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新年を迎えるに當り、私たちは過去をふりかえり、将來に期待をかけるものです。ニューカナデアンの發刊三十年記念にさいして、その将來を祝し、過去の業績は明るい将來を約束するものと信じます。

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一九三六年、當時代議士でありましたアンガス・マキニス氏は投票権付与を要求する四名の日系代表団の議会参政権委員会への出頭をあっせんいたしました。團長は現加州大学長の早川博士、他は兵頭ヒデ（清水夫人）香野ドクター、そして小林実の四人でありました。

代表団が現われたとき、東部の代議士は驚いたことをよく記憶しています。ビーシー州の代議士の一人でさえ代表団がクーリーのような姿で來るものとばかり思っており、トロントの代議士は通訳を必要とするかと尋ねたほどでした。

早川博士の流暢な英語による陳述と、明確な返答を聞いて、なぜ彼等に参政権が与えられていないのか不思議に思ったほどでした。それから十年がすぎて、この不公正は流され去りました。

また更に日系人の苦難時代が開戦と同時に襲いかかって來ました。その歴史は日系人のみなさんが体験したことなのですから、よく承知のことです。ともかく當時の首相、マッケンジー・キング氏は下院議会で「戦時中、日系人の誰一人も賣国的行為をした者はいなかった」と言明致しました。同首相が「戦時中、官吏の誰一人として日系人に不正義なことをしなかった」と發言できなかったことは残念でした。（日系人散在・再定住に関する部分は略）

終戦となり、悪感情がやわらぐと、カナダ国會は日系人のみならず、差別待遇されている他人種に対しても参政権の障壁を遂に取り除きました。日系人は自由にビーシー州に復帰が許され、ある者は戻りましたが大多数はそれぞれの再定住地に踏み止まり、一般カナダ人から、カナダ人と認められるようになっています。

私にしてみれば、一九四八年、フレザー河大増水のさいに示した日系カナダ人の行為はカナダを愛する立派な証拠だと思います。フレザー平野の彼等のイチゴ畑を安く競買に付されたにも拘らず、東部カナダの日系人は水害者の救済にいち早く應じてチェックを送りました。

私はかかる善行こそ、日系人がよいカナダ市民であることを示すものだと誇りに思っています。

一九七〇年がよい年であり、ニューカナデアンの繁栄を祈ります。

トロントにいる感じ

石川良孝

（梅月氏への手紙）

お便り嬉しく拝見しました。今年もゴルフに精を出された由、お元気で何よりです。

東京でゴルフに行くとなると朝早く起きて夜帰るというのが普通で、完全に一日仕事で大変です。それにひきかえカナダのゴルフは簡単に出かけられ、誠に羨ましい限りです。あの広々としたゴルフ場を思い出すと、一緒にプレイした人々の顔が次々と懐かしく思い出されてきます。野武士の風格の大兄、小生に挑戦してきた文化会館のコンビのサムヤケン、一々距離をたしかめたデニソン市長、悠長な主人とちがって精密機械のようなホワイトロー夫人、米本プロに西田ロングヒッター、スライスの大江から三田、市川、中島の旦那衆等……枚挙できません。

もう今頃は緑の夏もとうに過ぎ、紅葉の秋も終り、灰色の冬が到來したことと思います。そのうち雪が降り出し、クリスマスのイルミネーションが輝き出すことでしょう。日系の方々や在留邦人の方々はどうしていますか。井手、川尻、亀岡さん等一世組も相変らずカクシャクとして居られますか。平家はすっかり御無沙汰していますが、すべての人達に対して呉々もよろしくお伝え下さい。

月日のたつのは早いもので、私達がトロントを去ってからもうじき十ケ月になります。五年振りで親子四人が揃って生活できることは嬉しいことです。來年は長男が就職しますから、今が私達にとって一番良い時期かと思います。

ついこの前の土曜日（十一月二十二日）オンタリオ州政府のチャンさん（一ッ橋大出でカナダに移住）と前ジェトロ所長鑑沢さん、それに前領事の山田君と小生で一緒に昼食を食べました。チャンさんは万博の仕事で來日したのですが、われわれ一同異口同音に、何かトロントにいるようだねと言い出し、懐旧談を大いにやりました。この春にはトロント・シンフォニーが來日し、小沢征爾氏はじめチズム、ピカリング、[illegible]の各氏[illegible]しました。[illegible]さんも[illegible]ねてきてくれましたし、[illegible]も來年[illegible]來られるかも知れないし、トロントと東京の[illegible]近くなってくるように思われます。その[illegible]はトロントの[illegible]に[illegible]してきたようですし、トロントでも日本の[illegible]が認識されたようで、嬉しく思います。來年の大阪万博はきっとわが国とオンタリオ州の関係の緊密化に貢献するものと期待しています。

終りに、私達のクリスマスと新年の挨拶を大兄御夫妻はじめ日系の方々や在留邦人の方々に伝えて下さるようお願いして擱筆することに致します。御健康を切にお祈り致します。（十一月二十五日）